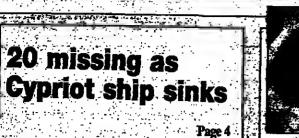




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# **MKs discuss** Lebanon pullout

Eitan, Ezra, Beilin, Harel, Cohen meet with former security officials

DAVID RUDGE, SARAH HONIG and agencies

Likud faction leader Michael Eitan last night met with a group of coalidon and opposition MKs to discuss a plan for a unilateral

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withdrawal from south Lebanon. The MKs, who met at the Kochav Yair home of Likud MK Gideon Ezra, included Labor's Yossi Beilin, Third Way MK Yehuda Harel, and Yitzhak Cohen of Shas. Former senior members of the security establishment -including ex-General Security Service head Ya'acov Perry, ex-GSS deputy head Yossi Ginossar, former coordinator of the territories and Lebanon liaison unit commander Danny Rothschild - participated in the meeting. Yisrael Harel, one of the leaders of the

sion the four reached last night or whether they were even all in agreement, but said they plan to take up the matter with Defense

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Minister Yitzhak Mordechai. Meanwhile, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu on Friday rejected such a move, saying it would bring Hizbullah terrorists

closer to Israel's northern frontier. He said Israel must stabilize its northern border before leaving the security zone. This border was at first grabbed

hy Palestinian terrorists and now it has been seized by Hizbullah ter-

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Barak: I proposed deal to leave Lebanon when FM

# By DAVID MAKOVSKY

Labor MK Ehud Barak personally passed a message to Lebanese Foreign Minister Farez Bouez while serving as foreign minister last year, offering to leave southern Lebanon if Hizbullah was quiet for three months, Barak disclosed yester-

three-month period of quiet would be followed up by a period of intensive negotiations last-

Barak, who spoke on Channel 1, said the offer was passed by way of a third party "from the

area who is not an Arab." Sources say the person in question was Cypriot Foreign Minister Aleco Michaelidis, who visited here last March.

Michaelidis was known to be in close contact with both Barak and Bouez. Barak said he expected the message would be

to have been made after the Peres government lost hope of reaching a peace deal with Syria before Knesset elections.

For the last few years, Labor tog no longer than 90 days. viewed a pullback from southem which would be concluded by Lebanon as only occurring on the heels of a Golan pullback. Israel leaving the country.

day. While Lebanon is known to favor an Israeli exit, "they never responded," Barak said.

The former chief of staff said a

passed by way of Syna.

Interestingly, the offer appears

# PM, Hanegbi request pardon for Jewish murderers of Arabs

Thousands attend the funeral in the Bednin village of Zarzir of St.-Sgt. Maj. Hassin Rahal, 34, and Sgt. Kamel |Rahal, 27, two cousins

among the 73 soldiers and airmen who died in last Tuesday's helicopter disaster. The last 13 victims were laid to rest on Friday. Reven

23 Palestinian women prisoners

to be released this week

# By DAVID MAKOVSKY and JON IMMANUEL

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Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is expected to officially inform Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat tonight of his decision, announced-at Friday's cabinet meeting, to release all 23 women Palestinian prisoners held by Israel.

In an apparent effort at some sort of linkage, Netanyahu spokesman Shai Bazak said last night the premier and Justice Minister Tzahi Hancghi have already asked President Ezer Weizman to "consider commuting the sen-tences of Jewish prisoners" convicted of killing Arabs after each prisoner exhausts the appeal. process. "The president told the prime minister that he would consider commuting sentences," Bazak said.

No names have been discussed, according to Bazak, but among those serving such sen-tences are Ami Popper and Yoram Skolnik. Popper is serving consecutive life sentences for murdering seven Palestinian workers in Rishon. Lezion in 1990. Skolnik is serving a life sentence for murdering a captured Palestinian ter-rorist in March 1993. Legal commentator Moshe Haneghi has termed the release of such. killers as "undermining the rule of law." The release of the women, timed to coincide with ld al-Fitr, the holiday concluding the

Moslem holy month of Ramadan, is mandated as part of the 1995 Oslo 2 agreement and reaffirmed by the recent Hebron pullback deal. Officials say two of the women are convicted

murderers, while three were convicted of being accomplices to marders committed during the intifada. Israel has long offered to release the other 18, but these women have refused to leave prison in solidarity with the five.

Arafat has already welcomed the move, as reportedly did Jordan's King Hussein. When asked by reporters yesterday about whether he seeks the release of jailed Hamas leader Sheikh Ahmed Yassin, Arafat termed it a top priority. At Friday's cabinet meeting, National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon voiced convosition to the release charming the Pd does opposition to the release, charging the PA does not deserve the gesture since it has not extradited any prisoners to Israel.

He also called on Netanyahu to permit construction of the controversial Har Homa neighborhood in southeastern Jerusalem. Palestinians have threatened that if the project is approved, they will bring the issue to the UN Security Council.

Meanwhile, Palestinians, Egyptians, and US officials have privately complained that Israel has delayed establishing negotiating teams for further talks with the Palestinians. However, officials in the Prime Minister's Office say an

announcement could coine as soon as today in this regard.

These officials say the IDF will lead negociations dealing with security procedures sur-rounding the construction of both a Gaza airport and seaport, as well as negotiate terms for safe passage for Palestinians between Gaza and the West Bank. All three are mandated io the recent Hebron deal.

The Finance Ministry svill head talks regarding the amount of tax momey that is to be remit-ted to the PA. The Ministry of Industry and Trade will head talks on the construction of an industrial park at Gaza's Kami crossing.

Officials in the Prime Minister's Office say that part of the delay is due to the fact that top negotiator Yitzhak Molcho, who had worked very iotensely on the Hehron accord for months, has been abroading

The women-prisoner release will mark the second time, including the Hebron redeployment, that the Netanyahu government has implemented an agreement the Labor govern-ment failed to carry out within the time frame it specified. The release has been Arafat's top demand since the Oslo 2 agreement of September 28, 1995 proinised to release all women prisoners immediately.

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In healthy cells, NF-kB and

IkB are attached to each other,

but when infection or disease

occurs, a domino effect occurs

in which the "brake" is removed

and destroyed and the NF-kB is

### ouncil for Judea, Sai iana, and Gaza also attended. Ezra would not say what conclu-

Government declares Bezek services 'vital,' limiting private ownership

## By JUDY SIEGEL

The government on Friday approved an order proposed by Communications Minister Limor Livnat declaring Bezeq's basic telecommunications services "vital" and thus barring any foreign or local entity from controlling more than 25 percent of the compa-

Livnaı told The Jerusalem Post last night that when taking office, she had been presented with an order that would discriminate between foreign and local interests, limiting the former to a maximum of 10% of Bezeq and the latter to 25%

Under the new regulations passed unanimously by the cabinet after consultations with the premier

ministers - anyone who wanted more than a 5% interest in Bezeq would have to obtain permission from the communications minister. Permission would have to be granted at each increment for those seeking a 7%, 11%, 14%, 21% and finally a 25% share. In addition, Israeli interests would not have a higher limit than foreigners. Britain's Cable & Wireless com-

pany currently owns 10% of Bezeq (by buying up shares without consulting the government), and it wants more - at least 20%, Livna suggested.

The new order was vital to "pro-tect Israel's security interests," she said. While Hungary and a few other countries have laws allowing their national telecommunications companies to be controlled by outand defense, finance and justice siders, most do not, Livnat said,

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pointing out that the US and England have very strict limits on investments by foreigners.

Before deciding on her position. Livnat invited Bezeq and C&W officials for hearings, and changed her decision somewhat as a result. After the government decision on Friday, she called C&W president Richard Brown. He called it a "slap in the face" but said his company would study the decision and continue negodating with the ministry over other solutions to their equity plans.

Livnat said C&W was entitled to take the case to the High Court of Justice, "but I don't think it has a chance of winning." Local interests wanting shares in Bezeq did not pressure her, she said, and the new order was "not meant to put a brake specifically on C&W."

# Rehovot scientists discover gene which could help fight AIDS

# By JUDY SIEGEL

A gene that plays a vital role in . the process of infection, the activation of the immune system and - perhaps - in the matura-tion of the HIV virus that causes AIDS has been discovered and cloned, by Weizmann Institute researchers.

Their findings, which many other groups of scientists abroad have heen trying to achieve, appears in today's issue of the prestigious British journal

Prof. David Wallach of the membrane research and biophysics department discovered the gene, called NIK, with help from doctoral students Nikolai Malinin, Mark Boldin and Andrei Kovalenko.

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effects could he designed to ciency diseases, while drugs that block its effects might be developed to inhihit unwanted immune responses in autoimmune diseases, such as juvenile-onset diabetes, theumatoid

arthritis or multiple sclerosis. "NIK activation is a crucial, first step in triggering the immune response," said Wallach. "Our fiodings hold potential for the design of future drags to block or enhance the effects of NIK..., although we still need to clarify the exact reactions that this molecule sets

off." It has been known for about 20 years that a protein called NFkB belongs to a class of proteins, known as transcription-

"brake" that keeps the immune factors, which "switch on" certain genes. NF-kB is a major molecule involved in the Its discovery, said the Rehovot scientists, could lead to the development of drugs to regu-late the immune system in a immune and inflammatory responses to disease and infec-

While it is always present in boost immunity in immune-defi- all cells, its effects in healthy ones are usually blocked by an

set free. The Weizmann scientists sought to discover what causes the "brake" to be removed and





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in brief

# Two soldiers killed in head-on collision

A male and a female soldier, both 19, were killed instantly early yesterday morning when their car suddenly swerved into the path of an oncoming truck on the Yad Mordechai-Sderot highway.

Police are investigating the cause.

Last night three people were injured, one seriously, when a car and a motorcycle collided on the Trans-Samaria Highway. The injured were taken to the Rabin Medical Center in Petah Tikva. Six members of one family were injured, two seriously, while crossing the street in Bnei Brak last night. They were crossing behind a bus, and were struck by a rental car whose driver did not see them.

A 60-old woman died yesterday from injuries suffered when she was struck and killed by a car while crossing the Geha Itin Highway yesterday.

## Youth arrested in rape of Ramle girl

Police on Thursday arrested a 13-year-old Ramle youth suspected of raping a seven-year-old girl there last Monday. The youth, who denies any connection to the case, was remanded Friday by Petah Tikva Magistrate's Court for five

Police acted on a tip Thursday night from a person who claimed to have seen someone who fit the description of the suspect. Police said they were surprised to find that the youth, who is so young, did fit the description provided by the girl and her brother. Itin

## Palestinian student dies of wounds

A Palestinian university student has died of wounds he sustained during gun battles between Palestinian Police and IDF soldiers in September, hospital officials said Friday. Ramallah Hospital officials said Yasser Hamshari, 21, a second year student al Bir Zeit University's commerce department, died

there Thursday night.

His death raised to 61 the number of Palestinians killed in the confrontations that erupted after Israel opened an exit to the Western Wall Tunnel. Palestinians killed 15 Israelis in the clash-CS. Reuter

# PM to demand PA stay out of **Jerusalem hospitals**

## By JUDY SIEGEL

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu is today expected to demand that Palestinian Authority chairman Yasser Arafat halt the PA's efforts to "take over" Arab bospitals in Jerusalem. The demand was initiated by Health Minister Yehoshua Matza, who last week convened directors of the five hospitals to discuss the problem.

Matza told the premier about the case of a four-year-old Bethlebem boy wbo suffered severe burns when a friend poured paint thinner on sticks and lit them. Burnt over much of his body, he was rushed to Bethlehem Hospital and them to eastern Jerusalem's Makassed Hospital, which does not bave a sophisticated burns unit. Even though Hadassah-University Hospital in Ein Kerem does have an outstanding burns unit. Makassed - whose director immediately.

.bas been sent on leave and replace by a PA representative refused the transfer. Instead, the hospital would

agree only to move the boy to a medical center in Jordan, a trip which a Hadassah doctor warned could cause his death. The PA is "conducting a war at the expense of patients often in

condition," Matza critical charged. "Is there no limit to its cynicism?" The bealth minister demanded that the PA "stop interfering" in the functioning of the capital's hospitals, especially Arab Makassed.

"There is nothing to prevent the

# Inquiry calls for public's help

whether the pilots may have been temporar-

ily blinded when switching on night vision.

asked to contact the commission at 03-697-

The fact that the commission has asked

for anyone who feels they may have infor-

mation vital to the investigation to speak up

is unusual. It was apparently done not just

because there were no survivors, but also to

7447, or fax 03-697-7053.

Anyone who has relevant information is

# By ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

The commission of inquiry on the helicopter collision, which is expected to hand its interim report to the government this week, has taken the unusual step of calling on the public to offer any information it may have concerning the crash.

The inquiry has heard reports from Air Force helicopter experts as well as testimony

from flight technicians and residents of the North. But no one is reported to have witnessed the collision, thus leaving it up to the commission to try and piece together what happened. They will examine the radio communication tapes and have sent the wreckage to laboratories for iraspection.

What is clear is that the collision was caused when the second helicopter rammed the first. One avenue being examined is



President Ezer Weizman, who has vowed to visit the families of all 73 helicopter disaster victims, speaks on Friday with the father of Lt. Kobi Ben-Shem, 20, of Ramat Hasharon. Weizman said he prefers to visit every family individually, rather than attend only some of the funerals, and that he draws great strength from the victims' families. 'Whoever believes there is a lack of motivation among the country's youth to volunteer for combat units, should see these families,' he told reporters after several visits in the cen-ter of the country. Today Weizman is to go to Misgav Am, Bar'am, Dishon, Safed, Beit Jann, Mitzpeh Netofa, Tiberias, Degania, Ashdot Ya'acov-Ihud, Beit Yosef, and Moledet.

# IDF troops in Lebanon on full alert

# By DAVID RUDGE

IDF troops serving in the security zone and along the northern border remained on full alert over the weekend and carried out their duties as normal, despite the trauma of the helicopter disaster in which 73 of their comrades were killed. Troop rotation convoys once

again plied the roads leading into and out of the zone to replace soldiers manning fortified hilltop positions in the region. The soldiers who were killed in

the apparent collision between the

Hizbullah leader Sheikh Hassan Nasrallah said in a Lebanese newspaper article yesterday that the troops aboard the hell copters had intended to carry out a: commandostyle kidnap mission and he was probably the intended victim.

The belicopter transports, which had been designed to bypass the threat posed by Hizbu llah roadside bomb and Sagger anti-tank missile anacks and ambushes, were stopped following the disaster. Instead, soldiers entered the

"Jerusalem Day," at the suid of the sector of the security zone. month-long Ramadan fast: ~ ~ The string of deadly devices Despite the relative quiet since were discovered by SLA troops on

escalate its activities in the coming days because of other memorial dates which also fall this month. The most notable is February 16,

which marks the killing five years ago of then Hizbullah secretarygeneral Sheikh Abbas Musawi and members of his family in an attack by IAF helicopter gunships.

intended to carry out a special 20 IDF and South Lebanese Army was underlined on Friday with the positions with long-range mortar discovery of five roadside bombs and anti-tank missile fire to mark in Beit Leif village in the western.

then, Hizbullah is still expected to operational duties in the region and were later safely destroyed by SLA sappers.

A statement issued by the IDF spokesman said the bombs had been planted by Hizbullah activists and were discovered by the SLA troops alongside a main road in the village, near the wall of a bouse.

The statement said that Israel bad lodged a protest with the

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head off future criticism that the commission may have ignored crucial information. Channel 1 reported last night that someone apparently heard that the pilots were complaining of a communication malfunction. The report said such a malfunction would not likely have any bearing on the crash, but it is an example of the kind of information, however unsubstantiated, the commission wants to include in its investigation.

# Thousands visit She'ar Yashuv

## By DAVID RUDGE and agencies

Thousands of people flocked to Moshav She'ar Yashuv yesterday, some bringing flowers, some to light candles, and others just to look at the scene of the helicopter disaster that shook the nation. The road leading to the small community that in recent years has been trying to promote tourism to the site was blocked with vehicles in both directions.

Residents had to close the entrance to the moshav because of the flood of cars, and police were called to the scene and the main road leading from Kiryat Shmona to the Banyas and Mt. Hermon, in order to direct and try to control the flow of traffic.

"Virtually everybody en route to the Hermon ski site is coming, as well as others who just wanted to come to the scene," a policeman on traffic duty told reporters. For many of the visitors it was a

pilgrimage, almost a duty out of respect to the memory of the 73 soldiers and airmen killed in the disaster. The wreckage has been cleared from the site and the remains of the guest houses that were struck by one of the helicopters have been knocked down and the ground levelled.

All that is left at the scene after the salvage and rescue operations is the scoured brown earth, some of the red tape used to seal off the area and many candles and flowers.

Meanwhile, King Hussein of Jordan radioed a message of sympathy yesterday for the death of the 73 soldiers and airmen as he flew over Israel on his way to London, Israel Radio and Army Radio reported. The king, who often pilots his own plane, spoke to the control tower at Ben-Gurion "Airport and expressed condolences over the tragedy.

# **Cabinet** puts off setting health tax exemptions

Acting on a request by Labor and Social Affairs Minister Eliyahu Yishai, the cabinet on Friday declined to determine a list

Bethlehem boy from being sent immediately to Hadassah in an attempt to save bis life." The principle of mutual obser-

vance of agreements is being other positions in the region. openly violated by the Palestinians, Matza charged, "and Hizbullah activists, however, who maintained that the disaster this must be prevented clearly and was a "godly punishment," continued to claim that the soldiers had

two CH-53 transport helicopters zone in the past few clays, as in the over Moshav Sbe'ar Yashuv on past, in escorted convoys. Tuesday night had themselves been The region itself has been relative-

ly quiet since heavy fighting erupted in south Lebanon last Tuesday and en route to the Beaufort Castle and ceased that afternoon - a few hours before the helicopter clisaster. Hizbullah announced at the time that its gunmen had attacked over

Musawi had been returning from a memorial service in Jibsheet village in south Lebanon for Sheikh Rajeb Harb, founder of Hizbullah's fighting arm, the Islamic Resistance, who was himself killed in 1984. The need for continued vigilance

on the part of IDF and SLA troops

Grapes of Wrath monitoring committee over the incident. The committee is expected to

meet later in the week following the conclusion of the Id al-Fitr feast marking the end of Ramadan

of localities that will be exempt from paying pupils' health fees. The matter was referred to the Interministerial Economics Committee.

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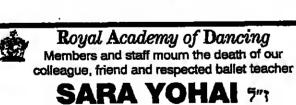
# Moves afoot to revive moribund multilateral peace talks

# By HILLEL KUTTLER

WASHINGTON - The multilateral peace talks, once considered a major aspect of Israeli-Arab conciliation but recently all but invisible, will show new signs of life beginning next month.

The working group on the environment is to meet in early March in Valencia, Spain. The multilateral steering committee, which last met two years ago, will gather in Moscow later in the month, an Israeli official said here Friday.

While the working group on refugees bas continued to meet including a session in Rome just two weeks ago - those on economic development, water and



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towards peace.

"It wouldn't surprise me if, with the renewal of the talks and conarms control bave been on a more than year-long hiatus. In the aftermath of last month's tacts, we see a phenomenon of Hebron agreement, "there's an [Arab] states that don't have organized effort to move the muldiplomatic ties with Israel, taking tilateral talks forward," the official on larger loads in the talks."

Oman. Oatar and Tunisia froze The push comes amid American emerging ties with Israel in the efforts to seize upon the agree-ment to prod Arab countries to months after Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's election. make good on their pledges to Others, such as Saudi Arabia, have · continue normalization with Israel had no ties with Israel but particiin accordance with progress pate in various multilateral groups. The developments came at the

"There's a sympathetic picture. What we found is the American conclusion of a two-day visit here the foreign ministry's deputy conception that normalization is a director-general, Yoav Biran. part-and-parcel component of the Biran met with US officials and peace process," the Israeli official Arab ambassadors to discuss moving the normalization process ahead.

A senior US official said that Washington bas "been very active" post-Hebron making the case to various Arab states for states for "renewed progress on regional ties." "We have been very encouraged by the responses we've received,

by the public and private comreactivated Israeli- Palestinian ments, that there's a recognition of track." the need to move forward," he said. "There is a general recognition that the time was appropriate for

the region to engage to support a

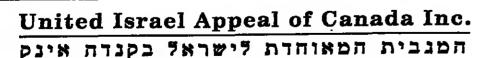
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The US campaign is being con-ducted at various levels, but it "primarily involves Secretary [of State Madeleine] Albright," he said.



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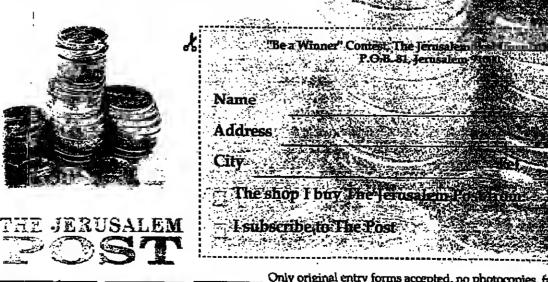
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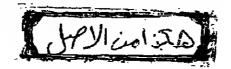
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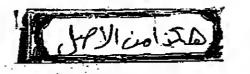
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# **WORLD NEWS**

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# 20 crew feared dead as Cypriot freighter sinks off Norway

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OSLO - A Cyprus-registered freighter sank in heavy seas off the Norwegian coast Saturday, and everyone aboard - 20 crewmen were missing and feared dead.

"There was a Polish crew of 20 people on board," said Elvbjoerg Vaage, spokeswoman for the Stavanger rescue service.

The skipper [of the 22,000-ton Leros Strength] called at 7.50 a.m. to say the boat was taking in water from a hole in the bow. While one of us at the rescue center was speaking to him, the line went dead." The helicopier and seven ships were searching for sur-

"We are not optimistic," said rescue service spokesman Anders Bang-Andersen.

We were on the spot quickly. The helicopter pilot saw hubbles and diesel oil on the surface. Life vests and two empty lift rafts were floating in the sea. A plate with the ship's name on it was observed, He said a rescue service official spoke for three minutes with the captain, whose name was not known.

"The captain was calm," Bang-Andersen said. "But he knew they were in a serious situation and he asked for assistance, asked for help to save the crew and himself. "He said he had problems navigating because of the hole in the bow. When we asked for a weath-

er report the communication was broken. One theory is that the ship then suddenly sank," Bang-Andersen said. Ships and a helicopter searching the waters in near-gale condi-

uons spotted air hubbles from the sunken ship. dehns, two empty life-rafts, life-vests and the ship's name plate, said Bang-Andersen. The ship apparently went down quickly in the icy, 258-meter deep

waters of the North Sea. Despite more than eight hours of searching, no trace of survivors was found and rescue efforts were scaled down when darkness fell, said Eldbjorg Vaage, also of the rescue center.

One Norwegian coast guard vessel was remaining at the scene through the night.

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"We'll still search, hut considering that they have been missing since this morning, we're not optikilling nine seamen.

mistic," she said. Hospitals in the region called off an alert when hours passed with no survivors recovered from the water, which was near-freezing at about 2C.

The captain may not have real-ized how serious the situation was until it was too late, since he made a routine radio call for assistance rather than an emergency "mayday" call, rescuers said.

The Leros Strength, a 22,000 ton hulk carrier, was freighting appaulte, a crystalline mineral used in the manufacture of fertilizers, from Murmansk Russia, 10 Poland.

Built in 1976, it was registered on Cyprus but owned hy Greek shipping company Leros Management, officials said.

- outlined in an April 1995 G-7

meeting - had been fixed, the

monetary officials did set an exact

"It's not a question of a precise

target for the US

currency.

It was the worst ship disaster off Norway for years. In December 1995, 10 fishermen drowned when the Russian trawler Novgorodets sank in a storm off the Arctic province of

Troms. In October 1993, the Norwegian fishing boat Bordanes went down off the Arcuc port of Hammerfest,



An ambulance crew prepares to ferry an elderly woman from the belicopter pad to a hospital in Palmerston North after she was wounded in the mass shooting in Raurimo, New Zealand in which six people were killed and as many as five others were wounded.

# Tranquil New Zealand hamlet rocked by mass murder

Police would not confirm those reports but

The proprietor of a nearby motel, who

randomly at oncoming traffic, and that one of

the dead was a young woman who was walking along the roadside trying to hitch a ride.

"One guy was going to pick her up, then he saw the guy with the shotgun and kept going,"

the proprietor said. "He looked back and saw

# By MATTHEW BROCKETT

RAURIMU, New Zealand (Reuter) - A gunsaid earlier that the victims might have been man went on a shooting rampage in a rural New Zealand hamlet yesterday, killing six peorelated to the suspect. ple and seriously wounding up to five others, in the latest in a series of mass murders that have declined to be named, said some of the suspect's family had been in Raurimu for a shattered the country's tranquil image. reunion. He understood the gumman had at one stage holed up in a bus shelter from where he fired

A 24-year-old man had been charged with one count of murder, police said. They had found the suspect naked and unarmed in farmland close to the scene of the slayings in this small North Island town of Raurimu near the active volcano Mount Ruapehu.

An eerie silence enveloped the dozen farmhouses that make up Raurimu late yesterday following the murders. There was little police presence and few signs of the early morning carnage.

The gunman, using a 12-gauge shotgun, cut a swathe through Raurimu starting at the Spiral Lodge, used by skiers frequenting Mount Ruapeha's ski slopes during the winter season, and moving to another lodge, leaving bodies scattered over a wide area. Local residents said two of the victims were

the woman getting shot to pieces." Police did not release the name of the suspect. They had earlier said there could he more victims but later called off the search. Wanganui Acting District Commander Jeff

Holloway said police took the suspect into custody shortly before midday.

The murders were committed around 9.00 a.m. yesterday. "The victims have not yet been properly

the parents of the alleged gunman and some of identified. We don't know all the names as yet. We believe that a number of them at least are They said he had a history of psychiatric residents and may be related to the suspect," he for a number of years.

told a news conference. The wounded were ferried by helicopters to hospitals in the district. Yesterday's slaying is the fifth mass slaughter in the 1990s to shock the country and undermine its image as a green and peaceful place. In 1990, 13 people were killed by a young man in the hamlet of Aromana, near Dunedin on the South Island. The police shot the gun-

man David Gray dead after a siege. In May, 1992, 64-year-old farmer Brian Schlaepfer shot or stabbed six members of his family before killing himself with a shotgun at Pukekohe, near the northern city of Auckland. The following month, an unemployed 25year-old man stabbed or bludgeoned to death seven relatives including five children in the quiet rural town of Masterton, north of

ellington. Then in 1994 a family of two parents and three children were shot dead with a rifle. Son David Bain was convicted for the mass murders but protested his innocence contending the father carried out the murders before committing suicide.

The series of massacres have traumatized Now Zealand's 3.5 million people who used to take pride in their relatively low rate of violence. Violent crime has been on the increase

# finance ministers' summit By COLLEEN BARRY

BERLIN - The world's leading industrial democracies America's allies and competitors have gotten what they've been wanting for two years, a strong dollar to more evenly balance global trade.

Now, it's up to each nation to adopt the sound fiscal policies that will drive its own growth and maintain stability, the finance ministers and central bank chiefs of the Group of Seven nations agreed yesterday.

"Currency relationships cannot be set through statements," Germany's Finance Minister Theo Waigel said, summing up a devel-

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rorisis who rely on Syria and Iran," he told Channel 2 Friday. "It is not easy to change this

oping consensus that talk alone nomic fundamentals and that won't control the dollar - the excessive volatility is undesirable." While agreeing that the problem of the undervalued dollar world's dominant currency.

The view that Japan, Canada, Germany, Italy, France and Britain are responsible for making their own currencies stronger investment targets was outlined in a joint statement issued after a day-long meeting

The dollar's rise in the past two level. The present situation is more years was "just what we wished would happen," Waigel said as he or less acceptable," said Hans Tietmeyer, Germany's central bank governor, He said the dollar's opened the meeting in a converted palace on Berlin's Unter den rise should be gradually ending, inden boulevard. The meeting ended a few hours

entailed. There is a price to pay

Mayors of towns and villages in

the North urged the government on Friday not to consider a unilat-

for security."

and expected the G-7 statement would give "a signal of stability to the markets.'....US Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin seemed to later with a joint statement saying: "We reaffirm our views that exchange rates should reflect ecoagree.

# "When a solution is found that somebody else can guarantee that security, IDF soldiers will he the first to he happy to leave Lehanese territory," he said.

eral withdrawal, saying such a Mordechai spoke to reporters dehate would hurt morale among after attending the funeral at residents and soldiers, according Alef on Friday burz Deganya of Armored Corps officer Lt. Eran-Hai Peretz, 21, who was among those killed in the helicopter disaster last Tuesday. Peretz was laid to rest alongside the grave of his uncle. airman Capt. Eran Cohen, after whom he was named, who died during the Yom Kippur War. His remains were discovered 18 months ago there we are giving security to and his body brought back to northern communities, we will be Israel for hurial at the kihhutz.

Chirac pays glowing tribute to Harriman PARIS, (Reuter) - French thage, aged 76. and powerful men Hartiman was the radiant strength of her person-President Jacques Chirac paid Highlighting their common linked to as wife or companion. ality. She was elegance itself. She

was grace. Harrin as also a peerless diplomar", indispensable to both Clinton and himself in helping find the way forward to agreement, Chirac said. Chirac placed on the coffin the red sash of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. He told her a month ago that be planned to give her France's highest award. "It is my great regret that the ceremony has become a last leavetaking.

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equation without at least changing the equation with Syria." Netanyahu said, alluding to the frozen Israel-Syrian peace talks and Damascus's role as a power broker in Lebanon.

Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak also told Channel 2 on Friday that Israel would not leave: "Today I don't know of any other solution that appears bener to me than what we are doing now - with all the pain and the price

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to Israel Kadio Mordechai made it clear on Friday that Israel will not withdraw from south Lebanon unless arrangements are reached that would guarantee the safety and security of northern communities. We have no interest in being on Lehanese land. We do have a vital security need [to be there], and as long as we know that from

there." said Mordechai.

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tribute vesterday to the late US ambassador Pamela Harriman at a leave-taking ceremony which drew a discreet veil over Franco-American tensions.

the others were related to him.

The French bead of state, senior US officials including National Security Advisor Samuel Berger, and relatives gathered to recall the glittering past and the four-year Paris tenure of Harriman, who died on Wednesday of a brain hemor-

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Europa Galante, under elognent violinist and director Fabio Biondi has become a symbol of the rehirth of baroque

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revolutionar v. Dom US Marines and French Republican Guards stood watch in crisp sunshine over Harriman's wooden coffin, draped in the Stars and Stripes and placed on the garden terrace of the embassy residence. Drawing his wife Bernadette to his side, a grim-faced Chirac paused silently before the casket before addressing guests including Italian magnate Gianni Agnelli, one of the many wealthy

Franklin and then Thomas Jefferson represented in Paris a nascent America. In 1993, President Bill Clinton chose an exceptional person to follow in their footsteps," Chirac said in a speech.

"To say that she was an exceptional representative of the United States in France does not do justice to her achievement she lent to our long standing alliance

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The Oslo 2 agreement specified that "all female detainees and prisoners shall be released in the first stage of release. The first stage of release will take place on the signing of this agreement [September 28, 1995]." The violation of this agreement

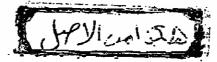
been released in the second stage. which was to have taken place a year ago, prior to the Palestinian Council elections on January 20, 1996. There is also to be a third stage of releases during the per-

told reporters after a PA cabinet meeting Thursday night that, at the Erez summit meeting today, Arafat will also raise the issue of eight negotiating subcommittees to deal with issues remaining from the interim talks.

Yesterday, on the first day of Id al-Fitr, Arafat visited the home of Sheikh Yassin and of Ahmed Siftawi, a veteran Fatah activist shot in 1994 before Arafat arrived in Gaza.

Last night the Tel Aviv-based Women Against Political Prisoners group praised what it called the cabinet's "tardy" decision to release the women prison-





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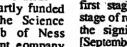
the molecule to he activated. Their research, partly funded by grants from the Science Ministry, Inter-Lab of Ness Ziona and its parent eompany Ares Trading SA of Switzerland, may also increase understanding of the develop-ment of AIDS.

Scientists suspect HIV somehow "recognizes" NF-kB. regarding it as a signal to become more active.

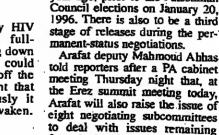
This may explain why HIV carriers often develop fullhlown AIDS after coming down with another illness: this could activate NF-kB and set off the immune response to fight that illness, hut simultaneously it goads the HIV virus to awaken.



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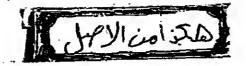


# helped weaken the fahric of trust between the previous government. and the PA. More prisoners were to have









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# **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

# Time really flies when you're getting old

## By JUDY SIEGEL-ITZKOVICH

TELL ME WHY

s I get older, I feel time flies faster. Is there any biologi-cal reason for this or is it

psychological? Ronny, Omer. Nitza Eyal, a psychologist at Tel Aviv University's Herczeg Institute on Aging, who recently wrote a book on this subject called Ha'zman Ha'amiti, answers:

This is a fascinating and very complicated subject with a number of hypotheses, but no one has proven

hypomeses, out no use use proves them scientifically. Some suggest that subjective per-ception of the passage of time is relarive to how long one has lived. For a four-year-old, a year is a quarter of his life, thus time goes slowly for youngsters. For an 80-year-old, a year is a small fraction of his life. thus time goes quickly for him.

Others argue this perception is connected to metabolic processes and biological cycles. After middle age, the body works more slowly; the stimulation of the central nervons system, for example, and other biological functions, proceed at a slower pace, and it takes longer to do things, so time passes faster.

middle age, people simply see that their time on earth is limited; it's like watching the sand in an hourglass

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with more on the bottom than the top. You feel pressured by the lack of time left, so time passes quickly. In addition, new experiences dur-ing childhood and adolescence make time seem to stop. These expand perceived time. But in middle age,

deja vu can set in, because you ve seen things before, making time go faster. (Thomas Mann writes about this in one of his works.) The matter is complicated by how

busy one is. An older person who has enjoyable hobbies and spends time with people he likes will find that time passes more quickly. But if he is disabled and in a genanic facility, waiting for a doctor for an hour or getting through a meal can make time go very slowly. Often when an elderly person tells me time flies, there's a good chance that he's optimistic and finds life fulfilling.

What is the evolutionary benefit of fingerprints on man? Do any anmals, besides apes, have them? Yona, Or Yehuda.

Prof. Yoel Rak, a physical anthro-pologist at Tel Aviv University.

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I don't know of any other animals Another possibility is that from that have fingerprints besides apes. But having them doesn't always mean that they offer an evolutionary benefit. In recent years, we scientists

have discovered more and more that they are by-products of evolutionary processes that, in effect, just go along for the ride. This is called

pliotropy." It is like medical syndromes: if natural selection works to determine eye color, the shape of the ears may go along with a specific eye color, but the ear shape has no evolutionary benefit. It's clear that all fingerprint patterns are genetically derived, but that doesn't necessarily mean they contribute to the survival of the species.

Nevertheless, there is no proven answer. Some suggest that having fingerprints could indeed have offered evolutionary benefits in apes by giving a surer grip while climbing. Others say fingerprints indicate more sensitivity to touch due to the concentration of sensory cells below the skin. But we don't really know the answer.

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By JUDY SIEGEL-ITZKOVICH

hat is the point in giving a NIS 6,000 computer to a child with an unemoloyed parent who has too little income to spend on decent housing, clothes, schoolbooks and perhaps even nutritious food?

A new project called "A Computer for Every Child" is aimed at making 100,000 elementary-school youngsters in the two lowest deciles of the socio-ecooomic scale computer literate in order to upgrade their learning skills, improve their self-esteem and give them a chance to compete in the job market in the decades ahead.

Since the highest level of charity, according to Jewish tradition, is helping someone to support himself, this project is aimed at freeing disadvantaged children from the cycle of poverty instead of merely giving them charity.

The project was initiated by the Operation for Social Development, a voluntary effort headed by Yuli Ofer and other local businesspeople including Gabi Sabag of ORS manpower company, Hanan Achsaf of Motorola-Israel, Yehoshua Maor of IBM-Israel and Arve Scop of Microsoft-Israel.

A month before the elections last May, then-premier Shimon Peres warmly codorsed the idea and afterward Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu personally gave it his blessing. The govern-meot recently decided to establish a public council, headed by Prime Minister's Office director-general Avigdor Lieberman, to run it with the group of businesspeople. JDC-Israel, which in 1995 launched a smaller pilot project that distributed 800 PCs among disadvantaged children around the country, will provide organizational backing.

Arnoo Mantver, IDC-Israel's director-geoeral, ootes that the lessons it learned during the past two-and-a-half years will benefit the much more ambitious project being launched. An important facet of the "A Computer for Every Child" campaign will be to require every child to undergo a 60-hour computer course in his community along with a parent or an older sibling, to ensure that the PCs don't just sit around collecting dust (or aren't sold to buy lottery tickets). Families won't get the modemequipped Pentium computer unless

**NEW WORLDS** 

By POST SCIENCE REPORTER

# **Computers for all**

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A project has been launched to ensure kids from poor families can buy computers. (Richard Nowitz)

they complete the course and pay a nominal fee of NIS 150. The recipients will be selected with help from local social workers and include haredim, Russian and Ethiopian immigrants and Arabs as well as other other Israelis.

Mantver adds that the public tender for computer hardware and software will be the "biggest-ever single contract" of this kind in the COULTRY

The \$50 million, five-year project is being financed equally by the government (which will allocate money from ministry budgets and bequests), local authorities, and private and company donations from Israel and abroad.

Having computer skills increasingly determines whether a young person will be employable, Mantver says. In the two lower socio-economic deciles, only seven percent of homes have a PC, while they are found in the large majority of well-off homes. Distributing 30,000 computers to disadvantaged children, says the the IDC-Israel chief, will help shrink this gap.

All the computers will be hooked up to the Internet, giving the recipicols the great advantage of being able to communicate with others throughout the couotry and the world, and will boost their Englisb-language abilities. The package will also come with a variety of software, utilities as well as edutainment and games.

Rami Baksanski, a sixth grader at Hameginim School in Ashdod, received his computer last year as part of JDC-Israel's pilot project. The boy, who immigrated from Moldova six years ago with his mother and older sister (now a medical student at Ben-Gurion University), spends five or six hours a day working on his computer after learning how to use it at his local community center.

Rami, whose mother was a bookkeeper in their native country and who is now looking for a job, says that he and his friends "hardly talk about TV anymore. The project gave computers to most of the children in class, so now we talk about programs and disk drives." As the PCs distributed last year were not souped-up Pentiums and lacked modems, Rami dreams of upgrading his PC, but he has already man-

aged to add memory and a CD-ROM drive. His class works for three hours a week on computers at school, but at home he's able to do other things and to practice.

He dreams of going into the compoter field when he grows up. Anyone thinking of contributing to the "A Computer For Every Child" project should know how much it gives children self confidence and

teaches them skills, he says. Maor of IBM-Israel, which will donate goods and services to the project, says that he isn't bothered by the idea of recipients spending time playing computer games instead of educational programs all the time.

"Computer games are important too. Foreign studies show that abilities gained while playing computer games are vital to the development of technological and cognitive skills and are an important learning tool."

Asked whether it would have been better to invest the \$50 million in a long school day or books instead, Scop of Microsoft-Israel says: "Of course 1'd prefer giving all the children a comfortable home and a long school day in a classroom with only 20 children, and I could add other vital needs as well. But the fact that all this can't be accomplished in Israel in 1997 doesn't mean we should give up. Developing computer skills is vital to the development of children in the 21st century no less than other things."

The prime minister made an appearance at a recent fund-raising event attended by businesspeople, who donated some NIS 4 million worth of computers.

In addition, Scop's company has pledged \$4 million worth of software to the project, including the Windows 95 operating system, word-processing, educational programs and electronic spreadsheets. The Safra Brothers donated 150 computers and Bezeq, 50. Hod Ami computer publishing will provide NIS 100,000 worth of material, including a special program that teaches youngsters how to use Windows 95, while Supersol will organize fund-raising campaigns among customers in all its branches.

For further information, contact Ami Bergman at JDC-Israel and the Operation for Sociol Development, Givat Ram. Jerusalem, telephone (02) 655-7111.



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much as their pre-school siblings. Obviously, it isn't a real encyclopedia as it doesn't cover the gamut of subjects presented in a printed volume, but it does deal with many: the solar system, food, the human body, music and art, transportation, climate, geography, animals, the community and occupations.

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dren, who will enjoy the program as

These topics are cleverly displayed as pictures on a tree, which takes up several computer screens from top to bottom: young users reach the topic merely by rolling the mouse up and down and clicking on. what they want. Some of the topics. such as an owl, the moon or a grasshopper, are represented by small icons and offer a short explanation using pictures and a video clip. But the major topics are dealt with in detail, and all of them include a drawing program, puzzles and a question-and-answer section. Just click on the picture of a child and you'll get the answer. It's a shame users aren't given the chance to choose the answer themselves; they could have been given a choice of , pictures without text.

The program teaches about the planets in the solar system and how. hunar and solar eclipses are produced; offers an anractive photo album of animals and details about their habits; and presents jobs, from jet pilot (interestingly, the one shown is a woman) to athlete.

The arts section tells about Bach and Tchaikovsky, Van Gogh and Picasso, and shows the nucle David stame by "Michael Angelo" (sic) [this minor detail, and the appearance of a menage girl in a sleeveless shirt, may annoy haredi parents, who otherwise would like this disk]. A channing feature is a music map;



Ha'Encylopedia Harishona Shefi doesn't cover the gamut of subjects presented in a printed volume, but it does deal with many.

hear a country's style of music, accompanied by a photograph; although Israel is not on the continental maps in the geography sec-tion, it is represented on the musical map with a hora. The food section offers a variety of recipes to make with adults and conveniently allows users to point them out.

I have only two minor complaints: the dubbed-in Hebrew is delivered at a rapid clip, and may be too fast for younger users. In addition, clicking some items causes the program to return to Windows for a few seconds, however, it quickly recovers. But all in all, children will enjoy this connucopia of learning material.

Sipurei Savia (Grandmother's Tales), a Hebrew translation of the CD-ROM by Living Books (Random House/Broderbund Company); diswibuaed here by Mirage Multimedia, for pre-school children, NIS 159. Rating: one star out of five The only good thing about this CD-ROM is the credits: the musical

animation it gives when showing who produced this highly disap-pointing program for children is imaginative. The problem is the pro-gram itself.

The disk is based on a simple chileren's story, Just Grandma and Me, by Mercer Meyer (I hope that's the correct translation; the credits, incredibly, don't list the English spellings or the title of the book). The disk consists entirely of a mea-

click any of two dozen symbols and ger 12 frames. A rodent-like animal with the Hebrew voice of a girl listed as Gal Cohen tells how she went to the beach with her grandmother. They fly kites, play in the sand, go into the water for a dip, get tired and then go home. That's it, with no sophistication, educational message or games as a bonus.

One may listen to the story being recited, but the Hebrew is given without vowels, so the child can't use it to learn reading. When the text is being read, the mouse is frozen so you're forced to listen to the short text without the

option of escaping. The arrows allowing the user to proceed to the next page or go back to the previous one are in the same

direction as the original English-lan-guage version; this is very confusing to the young Hebrew-speaking child, as to go shead, one must click the arrow facing right instead of left. In the absence of games, the user may click on various objects on the screen to get fish to jump out of a pail and the like, but this is really very pedestrian.

It's surprising that such major US companies would produce such an unattractive product and that Minage, which markets the abovereviewed encyclopedia disk and offers a wide variety of other impressive software, made such a poor choice. Considering what you get for NIS 159, perhaps one should trans-late the title of this CD-ROM as bubba meises.

el Aviv appears as splotches of red, yellow, blue and green in the first-ever study of the city's thermal characteristics made possible by satellite imaging and an airborne thermal-sensing system. The red end of the spectrum signals higher temperatures while the blue

shows cooler areas. The study, carried out by Tel Aviv University researchers, was sponsored by the Ministry of National Infrastructures (formerly the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure). Thermal satellite and airborne imagery are relatively new tools for monitoring the urban environment, according to an article in the winter issue of Israel Energy News.

The thermal images showed dis-tinct and measurable differences among parts of Tel Aviv; the variations showed up even on single avenues.

There were temperature differences of five or six degrees Celsius between some parts of Jaffa and in northern Tel Aviv, for example. The images show that high-rise buildings along the Mediterranean shore block off winds and cause streets to the east to be warmer.

The researchers are able to analyze the data, to calculate average temperatures and the effects of trees, heavy traffic and buildings, as well as get an overview of the entire urban area at different times of the day and night.

ATTENSHUN! TURN ON YOUR PC The Israel Defense Forces will soon open an Internet site to interact

with Israeli residents and provide information; a separate Intranet (called Zahalnet) - accessible only to authorized people inside the IDF - will soon be ready as well and ensure top security, according to the Anashim U'Mahshevim computer weekly.

Reservists will be able to access the IDF Internet size and get information; they will even be able to ask for a deferment of duty when necessary. The site will also offer a large amount of information to teenagers before enlistment, on courses, draft procedures and the various corps in the IDF. IBM-Israel has been chosen by tender to establish the site and maintain it for at least a year.

The internal network, Zahalnet, will encompass all the IDF's professional literature (such as manuals for operating tanks or maintaining planes). It will also integrate small video cameras and microphones to allow officers to consult with each other through secure video-conferences, saving them the time of driving to urgent meetings.

## PENT-UP PENTIUM

If you've recently bought a personal computer with a conventional Pentium processor, it's already out of date. The latest thing in PCs is Intel's MMX processor, which was developed by engineers at Intel's Haifa facility and is making a big splash around the world.

It's expensive, but it isn't required by everybody; it greatly improves the performance of multimedia and virtual-reality applications, and electronic photo editing. It's also speedy: it carries out 400 million calculations per second. It

will operate any program installed in your computer 10 to 20 percent faster than a conventional Pentium processor. Its availability is pushing down prices of the conventional Pentium

er equipment has won exclusive rights to market the MMX processor, with PC prices that contain it ranging from NIS 7,300 to NIS 11,600, depending on what else comes with it.

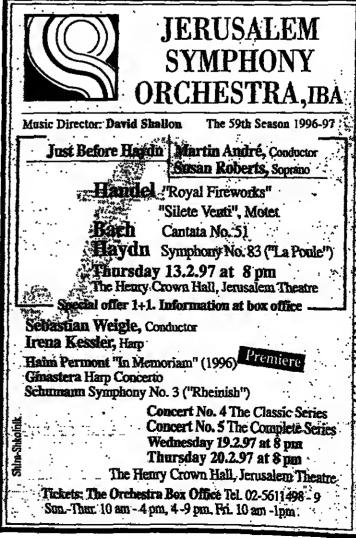
Super-Shivuk Technologies, which represents Packard Bell-NEC here, said that all of its multimedia computers will come with the MMX processor.

# BATTERY-RUN

Israelis, used to public toilets lacking toilet paper, will be glad to hear about a new Japanese inven-

non: the portable, battery-operated "bottom washer," which can be slipped into a purse or hip pocket. Reuter reported that the device, about the size of a paperback book, is being put on sale by Matsushita Battery Industrial Company. The bidet-like gadget weighs just 275 grams and holds 200 milliliters of water, which is squirted out through a collapsible nozzle. The units, which have adjustable water pressure, cost 11,000 yen (\$91) each.

"Apart from uses stemming from hygienic reasons, the washer is useful on camping trips and when changing baby's nappies," a com-pany spokeswoman said. "More and more Japanese are installing toilets with automatic washing functions in their homes and many want to use them in public lavato-ries as well," the spokeswoman said.



# HEALTH SCAN Safe open-heart surgery for the elderly

# By POST HEALTH REPORTER

Trandpa, and even great-grandina, can undergo open-heart surgery with rela-tive safety due to recent improvements. in medical techniques, according to cardiotho-racic surgeons at the Rabin Medical Center-Beilinson Campus and Tel Aviv University's Sackler School of Medicine

Writing in the latest issue of the Israel Journal of Medical Sciences, marking; Beilinson's 60th anniversary, Drs. Gideon-Sahar, Ehud Re'anani, Alex Sagie, Niv Ad and Bentando Vidne report on a study dealing with octogenarian patients. Forty-two patients, constinning nearly 2 percent of those treated in the plication and some had more than one, but the tions and other therapies.

department during a period of three years, underwent bypass surgery or aortic valve replacement or both. In two ont of three cases, the treatment was urgent rather than elective. Many of the patients had other diseases, including renal failure, chronic obstructive hing disease, high blood pressure, diabetes and peripheral vascular disease.

Their cases were followed up for nearly three years after surgery, examining their daily functioning, use of medications and physical health. The rate of those dying in surgery was 2.4 percent, and an additional 4.7 percent died within three months of the operation. A quarter of the patients suffered at least one major com-

conditions of most patients improved significantly. They were hospitalized after surgery for an average of 11 days. The most serious complication was a stroke, but this risk can be

reduced by performing a trans-esophageal echo study before or during surgery. While bypass surgery in those over 80 is still considered very risky, recent studies - this one included - show it can be performed with relative safety; valve replacement is somewhat more complicated. Mortality of 2 to 12 percent is not much greater than in young patients with the same risk factors, the surgeons write-Surgical intervention "clearly improved survival" compared with continuation of medica-

BLACK & BLUE ... AND RED Plaster casts for broken limbs are not only heavy, but also itchy and hot inside and have to be kept out of the water. But various clinics and bospitals are now offering waterproof casts made of light plastic and covered with red or blue gauze; if the patient has a broken leg, it can be walked on half an hour after being put on instead of after four days. They can even wear a regular shoe instead of having a metal heel attached below it (whose presence often causes poor posture and back pains). The casts weighs in at a ninth of the weight of the conventional plaster-of-Paris version. thus patients can get around easily without suf-fering atrophy of their muscles.

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# NATO's day is done

n the continuing and often heated debates over the proposed enlargement of NATO eastwards, none of the principals involved on the Western side seem to have asked themselves a simple question - why? In fact, as well as ask themselves why expand, they should go on to ask themselves "why NATO?"

The French, who usually can be relied upon for a maverick opinion, are more consumed on this issue by unenlightened self-interest in trying to grab a more prestigious command position in the organization. President Jacques Chirac, backed by the Germans, has merely come up with a suggestion for a summit of the main powers in April - in Paris, needless to say - to devise a new relationship between NATO and Russia.

As in many international disputes, form in this case appears to be at least as important as substance and all the Western powers are showing extraordinary insensitivity to the views of Russian leaders and the Russian people. The substance is that yes, of course the European Union and its neighbors on the continent need a defense system. The form is - why does it have to be this anachronism called NATO?"

NATO is as much a Cold War beast as the Warsaw Pact was. The two military blocs were specifically set up to defend the two political blocs, the free democracies and the Communist front. The fact that Communism "lost" the struggle does not necessarily mean that the West "won" it, despite being put in such terms by former leaders like Margaret Thatcher and Ronald Reagan. Yet NATO represents to the Russians a continuing Western attempt to gloat over its victory. This has gone beyond a celebration of the end of Communism, which most Russians could share quite happily, to a perception that Russia as a nation was somebow "defeated."

This is not a good impression to be giving, however mistaken it may be. Where national pride is concerned, perceptions are often more potent than dry facts or explanations. Recent news reports on the NATO debate constantly use phrases like "disarray" in the West's attempts to persuade Russia that it really is OK for Western forces to expand eastwards. When they say it is not OK, the Russians bave a point that is not being taken seriously.

Russians for 50 years were schooled and reared on the theory that NATO was their enemy. As long as the name and the organization remains in existence, the perception will linger that it is anti-Russian and must be regarded with suspicion. It is bigh time to sweep away the last vestiges of Cold War babits which everyone knows can all too easily be revived. There already have been arguments over the continued operations of the old intelligence enemies, the CIA and the KGB. The arguments over "NATO expansionism" will not go away unless a radical effort is made to bury the issue for good and all.

need a summit to consider scrapping the entire outfit and consulting with the Russians and east Europeans on a defense organization to replace il - with a new name and a new charter that replaces the bistorical anti-Communist (and by association anti-Russian) model.

Russia also suspects that the eagerness of their former Warsaw Pact allies to join NATO is more an act of revenge on Russia than an imperative defense need. Norway and Denmark are pushing strongly for the Baltic states -Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania - to be admitted, a move that would bring NATO into an area Moscow still resents the most for the way it left the Soviet Union and for the perceived ill treatment of ethnic Russians in some of the republics.

Many of NATO's old provisions need rethinking in any case. The "automatic response" provision, that an attack on any one NATO country is an attack on all of its members was a necessary red line provision in an era of nuclear confrontation. Such a provision is untenable in the new world disorder. Most NATO politicians will have forgotten the old defense organization known as CENTO which grouped Turkey, Pakistan, India and the Shah's Iran under a British nuclear umbrella operated out of Cyprus.

It collapsed in 1974 amid Pakistani recriminations that CENTO's "automatic trigger" was conveniently ignored when it was attacked by India. Just as embarrassing was CENTO member Britain's failure to act over Turkey's invasion of Cyprus in 1974. Of course the provision about an attack on one member being an attack on all was never meant to cover members attacking one another - as in NATO it was transparently anti-Soviet and nothing else.

NATO has transferred its anti-Soviet stance to an anti-Russian one in the eyes of most patriotic Russians and all the reassurances and denials in the world will not change that fact. The most sensible step now is to send NATO the same way as CENTO, Even in the Cold War 1970s, the world did not become any more or less unstable after the demise of the expensive and futile Central Treaty Organization.

At present there seems little sign of any radical sensible thinking in NATO - in fact the whole debate over its expansion is little more than a mess. Even France agrees with its allies that Moscow - strongly opposed to the whole idea - should not have a veto on the expansion. All the members say enlargement must not create new divisions in Europe and that a charter

enshrining a close cooperative relationship with

Russia should be worked out. It does not seem

such a great step to ask Russia what sort of

European defense pact it might consider join-

ing, or at least what type of one it would not

mind its former satellites joining. The United

States and Europe will not be overrun by

Russian bordes if the 16-nation NATO were to

bid itself farewell with accolades for a job well

**IBA'S LACK OF HONESTY** 

R. WILLERS

done but one that no longer needs doing.



# Jewish jigsaws

any people are now wondering how US DOV BURT LEVY Addeleine Albright did not know of State she was born of a Jewish family.

and in Soviet Russia, hid their antecedents as best they could. Often it was simply a matter of survival, akin to the simulion of the Marranos in Spain - except that this century's Jews-in-hiding usually did not retain, or want to retain, any vestige of the Jewish ritual that had been a part of their former lives.

# So Madeleine Albright has discovered her roots. Will she tend them?

Israel today may have something like a million people who might have, but didn't, bury their Jewishness. While I am full of gratitude to them, I cannot find it in my heart to deplore those who chose otherwise.

THE US is a country which has always looked to the future, rather than back at the past. Its vast size and large immigrant and mobile population make the American brand of anonymity more profound, perhaps, than that of any other nation in the WOI

Fewer than half of America's



# HELEN MOTRO

n her living room in the early 50s, my mother hosted the first New York meeting of the women's Red Magen David for Israel Last week, 45 years later, she collapsed on the street in Tel Aviv. Within minutes she was being loaded onto a stretcher and wheeled into a Magen David Adom ambulance.

The young medic, delicate and gentle, sped her away toward the hospital.

"I'm not turning on the siren because I think she is stable and don't want to sbock her," he told me. "But let me know right away if you notice any change." Only after making certain she was attended to did he prepare to leave the emergency room. I asked his name.

"Yitzik," he replied. "Ynzik what?"

"Just Yitzik," be called over his shoulder.

After my mother was released, she looked back at her hospital stay philosophically.

"Well, I finally got a ride with Red Magen David," she said. Thanks to Yitzik, hers was a good one.

Yitziks, unfortunately, are the exception. The elderly often this: America, they say, was "born free." What they mean is meet impatience - even callousness - from the generation to whom they have yielded the

stage. My mother came bome to find her 1997 television tax bill waitin France, Russia - or Israel's ing on her doorstep. In bold type across the top it read. The Knesset has decided to repeal the Tea Party was a small affair. It 50 percent reduction for senior citizens]." This year pensioners pay NIS 447 instead of NIS 223. With the same hlow, the Knesset also killed their 30 percent reduction in municipality taxes, as well as reduced fees on a myriad of cultural events. "The only thing they left us is the bus fare," I beard one man say bitter-

LIKE THE sons in Pearl Buck's interesting thing about him is Windows 97, not who or what his The Good Earth who plot to sell

# In this country, 'gray power' is still in diapers

their father's land even as, with seeming solicitude, they lead the old man across his beloved field, our society throws the aged a pittance, while going on with the business that really matters.

Then - dare I predict? - unlike The health funds print glossy brocbures advertising a new "personal approach." But med-ical staff may brush off a hardmy neighbor's children, who decided that their Jewishness was ting but largely irreleof-bearing pensioner who overvant fact, Albright will do things stays bis allocated 10-minute I'm not talking pie in the sky slot here. Albright is a serious thinker, An old woman arriving at the National Insurance Institute She knows that today's America office might wait bours to be' (and today's world) is incredibly different for Jews from the comseen, then, when her turn comes, try ber parents confronted 50 be snapped at. Theaters get PR mileage out of Whatever choice she makes the discounts they offer to the will come out of her deep underelderly. In practice, reduced rates often apply only to the earliest afternoon show, or are excluded standing of historical and human processes, and she will keep my altogether for first-run movies. It But I'm looking forward, 15 is as if the pensioner is being told vears from now, to welcoming that he too has dropped to the her on Israel soil as a fellow citirank of a second-run film. zen, and to maybe riding an Sometimes an apparent benefit Egged bus with her on a senior carries a sting. The Co-Op supermarket chain citizens' outing from Tel Aviv to grants the elderly a 7 percent dis-If and when she finally does count on every purchase. But make aliya - remember, you read Co-Op recently raised the mini-mum amount entitling free bome delivery to NIS 250. The writer is a former political To the aged, often living alone, that sum means a major purchase. Yet even one bag of groceries may be too beavy to carry home. The result? It isn't unusual for an older person to wait until his or her cupboard is almost bare before going to the market - to buy just enough to avoid the delivery charge. The bumane view of ourselves we like to promote includes platitudes like honoring the "Golden Age." But while we are busy patting ourselves on the back, the people we refer to are at the mercy of chance. In the US the American Association of Retired Persons is an active lobby, and Germany bas its Gray Panthers. Bnt in Israel, gray power is still in diapers. Here senior citizens lack clout, both as individuals and as a group. A Jewish parable tells of a boy who, seeing his grandfather being given a wooden dish to eat from while the rest of the family dines off porcelain plates, promptly starts preparing a wooden bowl for his own father. We might do well to reflect on this story, envisioning ourselves one day grasping a senior discount voncher is one trembling. band, while trying to catch the attention of an indifferent civil servant with the other. Let's stop disregarding the elderly, lest one day we find ourselves being disregarded.

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## that just as the US in its formative years had land expansion enough for everyone, it now offers economic expansion to those seeking Almost everyone in America knows Bill Gates is America's richest man, worth some \$20 billion. Who cares about his religion or nationality? The relevant and

that it never had to fight a serious

revolution that transferred power

Compared with what happened

struggle to be born - the Boston

just isn't remembered in the same

Other scholars stress the "fron-

tier" theory of American history -

In this sort of context it

becomes understandable that

Madeleine Albright had to climb

right up to being secretary of

state before the press began to

this very intense and personal

issue; and I suspect she won't

have the time, clarity of mind, or

desire to do so until her tenure as

secretary of state is over.

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Now she will have to deal with

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NATO does not need a summit to persuade the Russians to accept its unilateral plans. It does

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### JOURNALISTIC ETHICS FOR A BETTER FUTURE

Sir, - I don't usually agree with Susan Hattis Rolef's views on politics and government, so I thought l would like to pass on a well-deserved pat on the back for her column, "Way out of line," (January 27).

The bias and animosity in Ayala Hasson's so-called "revelations" were evident. Ms. Rolef correctly points to the equally biased way in which many members of the media are hlatantly enjoying the "scandal" with little interest in a balanced attempt to evaluate the evidence presented (or lacking) - or even a careful, occasional use of the term "alleged" in restating the situation which Ms. Hasson and Channel 1 presented to the nation.

I would add that a society will agree to protect the rights of mem-bers of a profession if, and only to the extent that, the members of that profession show a desire and an ability to control their own behavior. Publishers and editors and fellow reporters carry a heavy responsibility - to evaluate the factuality of what a reporter presents to the public, to speak with and double check the veracity of the reporter's sources and to prevent unbalanced accounts of an ambitious reporter. Only in this way can the media earn the trust of the public and the privilege of "protecting sources from public exposure.

I believe that Ms. Hasson has violated this trust and her superiors and the management of Channel 1 have neglected their duty. Perhaps it is time for Ms. Rolef and those of her colleagues who agree with her to establish a board of inquiry to investigate the extent to which this event has been a breach of correct and professional behavior. BARBARA BERAN

Ra'anana

Sir, - I read Rabbi Ron Kronish's article of February 2, "The other peace process," with great interest and agree totally with the contents.

I would however like to draw your attention to the fact that, following the tragic murder of Nahshon Wachsman, a sense of unity and identification that had never been experienced before encompassed not only the Israeli population, but extended to Diaspora Jewry as well. Expressions of support streamed in from all corners of the globe from Moslems, Christians and

Jews alike. In the wake of these reactions, the Nahshon Wachsman Center for Tolerance and Understanding was established last December, under the auspices of Beil Morasha of Jerusalem - Center for Advanced Jewish Studies. This center creates study frameworks, conferences and a meeting forum between Christians, Jews and Moslems. Last December, the first such inter-religious meeting took place between Christians, Jews and Moslems on the subject of Hanukka, during which 80 participants of various religious beliefs concentrated on the different sources relating to Hanukka. The

meeting was deemed a great success by all those taking part. Further meetings, dialogues and conferences are scheduled to take place with the aim of promoting peace, a better understanding and tolerance between the peoples

Jewish heritage, which is the lega-cy of Nahshon Wachsman. PROFESSOR BENJAMIN ISH-SHALOM Rector, Beit Morasha

Jerusalem.

Sir, - As a listener to Kol Yisrael's English news service on shortwave for the last 15 years, I have - in the past - been much impressed with their objectivity and, at times, even held them up to the BBC as a shining example of

how to report fairly on controversial issues. After 1992, however, 1 had to revise my opinion and by now, the leftist slant is still such that I have to agree 100 percent with N. David Gross's assessment of those "...who exhibit their lack of hopesty in their choice of interviewees and hy the way they grill those on

the right, while indulging with leading questions those of their own leftist persuasion" ("Our lib-eral elite." January 26). And, 1 should like to add, if they cannot avoid interviewing government representatives, they make sure that their statements are followed by someone from the extreme left. allowing him the last word. In the interest of the government's credibility and Israel's image abroad, the IBA ought to be persuaded to discontinue this kind of practice sooner rather than later.

Wembley Park, Middx. THE IMPORTANCE

Sir, - All this debate about whether one should give the yordim a vote is nonsense. If it is who inhabit this country, and a important for an Israeli to vote, he love of humanity in he spirit of our will make an effort. We put off our trip to the US to vote; it cost us an extra \$200, as we missed the date for cheaper fares. To us, it was worth it.

OF VOTING

EVELYN DAR-EL

Haifa.

But this kind of probe into another's background was not a wise thing to pursue, because in America what one is or believes is a very private business. So there the matter remained.

Some may think she did know,

But to me she seemed genuine-

ly astonished when she told the

Washington Post last week that

she had been unaware that three

of her grandparents had been

Jewish, and that they had died in

My sympathies are with her

now as she tries to piece logether

ber background and come 10

grips with a dimension of her life

that has lain buried. I will be

interested to see how she copes

with this new and perhaps star-

My first experience of this kind

of thing occurred in Washington

DC, 20 years ago, with a (divorced) woman and her daugh-

ter, coffee-and-cake friends, who

lived just a few bouses down the

street. The woman had four other

grown children, and all lived as

I once mentioned to my wife

that the mother seemed "just a lit-

tle Jewish." This impression

came from the woman's speech

(she had grown up in New York),

her sense of humor (irony and

sarcasm) and from her sister, who

bad retired to Florida and visited

nonpracticing Christians.

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Nazi concentration camps.

and was covering it up.

Ten years ago, when the woman died, ber sister got up and announced to the children: "Enough of this cover-up.

"Your mother and father were Jewish, After World War II, when your father was looking for a law joh in Washington, they both thought that life would be easier for them - and for you - if you were thought to be Christians." And so it was. None of the children had engaged in even the vague kind of speculation I had. The revelation thus came as a

complete shock to them; but it did not (as far as I was able to tell) change their lives in any essential way. They are all still nonpracticing Christians. What Albright's parents did is understandable

Many Jews, in Nazi Germany

people live within commuting distance of the place where they grew up. And this has bad a direct and enormous impact not only on family "togethemess." but also on the sense of, and attitude to, family continuity and history. Many Americans remember

John Kennedy's vow to put men in space; but few remember, or care, that Kennedy had a father who was, to put it mildly, less than savory. An antisemite and an early supporter of Hitler, Kennedy senior made his money bootlegging booze in the US during Prohibition.

At the more savory end of the spectrum, few Americans know anything about the aristocratic backgrounds of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt, though many still remember what they did for the working class, and bow they related to it.

Some historians explain it like science professor.

### PICTURE POSTSCRIPT POSTSCRIPT

FOR DECADES, skeptics scoffed at claims that a stained US flag in a small, rural museum was used as a pillow for the bleeding head of Abraham Lincoln the night he was assassinated.

Now an amateur scholar says yes, indeed, it is the flag from Lincoln's box at Ford's Theater. Other schol-

The flag is at the tiny Pike County Historical Society museum, in Milford, Pennsylvania, which draws

You expect to find something

Garrera didn't believe claims about the flag at first. But after 400 hours of research, he produced a 5-cm-thick report concluding the flag was authentic.

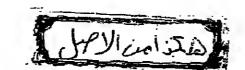
scholars, who sent letters back agreeing with him.

his head was lying on a folded flag of the union that he gave his life for." The flag was given to the muse-um in 1954 by V. Paul Struthers, whose mother was a cast member of Our American Cousin, the play Lincoln was watching when he

was shot.

(Rester]

The writer is an attorney.



Bachir Laifaoui leaves no doubt about his commitment to his

cause: he's on a hunger strike - and he's sewn his lips shut.

Laifaoui is protesting not being chosen for a vacant job at the

town hall of Manosque, France,

ars agree.

only about 1,500 visitors a year.

like this in the Smithsonian or the National Archives," said Joseph Garrera, a part-time Lincoln researcher and insurance company owner. "That's why oo one believed it was in this small-town museum."

He sent the report to top Lincoln

One of them, Wayne Temple, called it "a touching symbol. Here



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# HEAD 'N' TAILS

# Leash laws protect dogs

# By D'YORA BEN SHAUL

cently we have had a lot of Renguiries and complaints about Israel's leash law for. dogs. A dog is required to be either confined or kept on a leash at all times.

Not long ago the Veterinary Service set aside specific areas where dogs may be allowed to exercise off leash at specified times. This is the only exception. As a

matter of fact, the law is more restrictive than this. A dog is supposed to be muzzled when on leash but the Veterinary Service does not insist on this except when a dog is aggressive or

using public transportation To many who come from places where there is no such law this ems oppressive. However, it is impossible to seems oppressive.

compare Israel, where rabies cases appear every year, with countries where this is not a problem.

The law is a part of the Rabies Prevention Law and is not meant to be barbaric. The Veterinary Service does not "hate dogs" as some readers claim, but it is charged with protecting the general public and their livestock from rabies.

Because this is the law, the Veterinary Service has the right to impound any animal found off leash and in some cases is entitled. to destroy it.

It is also legally allowed to spread poison bait for strays and a their pet.

dog off lead is at great risk, so a careful owner will see to it that his or her dog is on leash when outside the yard.

This does not mean that I am an apologist for the Veterinary Service. I do believe that there are better approaches to rabies prevention than spreadiog poison, for

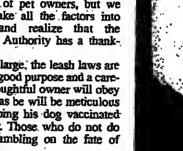
instance. Certainly, closer attention should be paid to seeing that every dog is regularly vaccinated as required by law.

Today, in the computer age, it should be oo problem to locate every dog's record and check whether the vaccination is current. It should also be obligatory upon the owner to notify the service if a

dog listed in their records is dead or has changed ownership. Even a not too developed country such as Malawi manages to keep track of the vaccination of dogs, so we should certainly be able to manage it.

... It is all too easy to accuse those in authority of not being sensitive to the needs of pet owners, but we have to take all the factors into account and realize that the Veterinary Authority has a thankless task.

By and large, the leash laws are for a very good purpose and a care-ful and thoughtful owner will obey them, just as be will be meticulous about keeping his dog vaccinated every year. Those who do not do this are gambling on the fate of



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exclamation point followed by the word "WARNING," and then: "Continuous use of a keyboard." may cause Repetitive Stress Injuries or related injuries." is, unexpectedly, on the "Natural"

Yurn over Microsoft Corp.'s research to indicate that it is betcomputer keyboard and ter," said Sherry Saunders, you'll find a bright-orange spokeswoman for the Center for Office Technology, which represents large manufacturers and corporate buyers of computer equipment.

"Most companies don't ... want\_ This admonition that typing to get into suddenly providiog could be hazardous to your health alternative keyboards when ... you alternative keyboards when ... you may find down the road that they - a wave-shaped keyboard that actually cause more people prob-Microsoft touts as ergonomically lems.

Nachum Shifren: A rabbi by land, surfer by sea.



# Soul surfing

## By AMY KLEIN

What do a five-meter wave and a long-harder **V** have in common? In Rabbi Nachum Shifren's case, they are as intertwined as the world of physicality and spirituality itself.

"The ocean is so beautiful; it has this dynamic, an unknown element of mystery," Shiften says, his mind already at the beach. "It's like being Jewish. Underneath the waves, there's fun and challenge. Shiften is a surfer. And like all true surfers, he loves the "spray,"

taking on the wild, unbridled power of a crashing wave. But Shiften doesn't live only for surfing. Well, not anymore, that is.

"After more than 30 years of surfing on four continents, I've had my share of waves. I will always remain a surfer and, God willing, so will my son. But I am also a Jew. I have something to Sav.

It's hard to equate this rather religious-looking man - whose scraggly, pepper beard matches his pinstripe pants - with the dude in the wetsuit surfing on the cerulean California waters; but as the boundless energy and words burst forth from him like waves or a tense coil, oddly enough, it begins to make sense: Surfing and God go band in hand.

That is Shiften's message, In two-hour lessons oo the Herzliya beach, Shifren acts as a combination lifeguard/surfing teacher/rabbi. The only thing he guarantees the college-age guys is that they will be standing on the board.

But in teaching them how to surf, he teaches them about life. This be also does in his worldwide Jewish surfers' newsletter, Surf & Soul, which is distributed on his Internet site (www.surfsoul.virtual.co.il), . offering updates of the weekly Torah reading, and, of course, descriptions of great surf.

From his comparison of the Jews' crossing the Red Sea (the first "surf punks") to teaching God's greatness by way of surfing, it's clear that Sbifren's religion is of a different nature from the "Thou Shall Not ... " we might be

used to. "I'm not into religion, I never liked it," he says, '60s roots peek-ing through. "I'm not interested in making people ba'al teshuvas [those returning to religion], making sure they have the right siddur [prayer book], how long are my sleeves, how long is my hemline,"

he says. "Everything we see and do is how to get close to God; in surfing, when you paddle out on a board, that's part of our creation."

THE STORY of how Rabbi Shiften came to be a surfer is really the story of how the surfer became a rabbi.

"I almost missed my bar mitzva," is bow he begins his odyssey of a '60s kid who would have been wholly involved in leading antiwar protests, LSD, and Woodstock if it weren't for surfing.

It captivated him from age 12, and junior and high-school classes were just breaks between surfing, where he'd stop by with sandcaked hair.

His parents. California Reform Jews, were aware of their healthnut, beach-nut son, but, he says, "they saw I wasn't doing deviant behavior, so they were happy I found something that was relative-ly harmless." Shifren, in retrospect, has stronger thoughts on his surfing: "It saved my life, [without it] I would for sure be dead."

His grandmother's generous graduation stipend allowed

Shiften, who was then completely unaffiliated with anything Jewish (except the ocean, which he now says is everything Jewish), to enroll in the University of Hawaii, where he spent four years tackling the most dangerous, challenging waves in the world.

When his money ran out, he moved back to Los Angeles and became a summer beach lifeguard, earning enough money to support his surf habits throughout the year. He spent the next four years traveling to Mexico and Central America.

During this time, his younger brother had made aliya, and bad fought in the Yom Kippur War. This encouraged Shiften to think about Israel and being Jewish, and after reading up on the subject, at age 27, be decided to pick up and

After a stint in ulpan and Hashomer Hatza'ir, Shifren signed up for an IDF combat unit and then became a sports instructor. After the army, he went back to California and decided to finish his degree io Spanish and German.

It was on the college campus, when in search of a hanukkiya, that he ran into the Habad rabbi also a surfer.

The rabbi invited Shifren to his house every Shabbat. Shifren says that this "opened the door to Judaism" because he saw an aspect of peace in their family. In the impulsive, dedicated way that makes him such a good surfer, Shifreo studied Hebrew and began to learn Torah.

He decided to go back to Israel to yeshiva, living by the surfers' manifesto: "When the surf is good, you drop everything and go." He sold his old Volvo, all his beloogings (except his surfboards), and went to Kfar Habad, turning his surfing soul into a rabbi.

By the time Shiften went back to California, it was the 1980s, and

designed for greater typing comfort.

It is one of a slew of unconventional keyboard designs intended to reduce strain on hands, and wrists - part of the computer industry's answer to the type of complaints highlighted recently when a New York jury awarded a secretary suffering from a wrist injury \$5.3 million in a suit." against keyboard maker Digital Equipment Corp.

There are keyboards that come in three parts and keyboards that come in two parts. There are convex keyboards and concave keyboards; keyboards that tilt toward you, away from

you, or toward a peak in the middle. While standard keyboards sell

for \$20 to \$40, the unconventional designs range from about \$90 to nearly \$1,000.

But as the warning label on Microsoft's Natural keyboard illustrates, there's little consensus as to whether the new ergonomic designs alleviate strain-related injuries.

Alan Hedge, a Cornell University ergonomics professor who has studied alternative keyboards, said that in many instances what they're doing is displacing the point at which you get some postural deviation [strain]. They're not really eliminating that postural deviation."

'I don't see any major medical benefits," said Emil Pascarelli, a professor of clinical medicine at Columbia University and the author of the book Repetitive Stroin Injury: A Computer User's Guide.

But Hedge and Pascarelli both insist that devices which adjust the posicion of the keyboard in relation to the overall body posture can heip. -

For its part, Microsoft doesn't claim to offer any medical advantage.

"It wouldn't be responsible of Microsoft or anyone else to suy, 'Get an ergonomic keyboard and that's going to solve all your prob-lems," according to Beth Featherstone, group marketing manager for Microsoft's hardware division.

That may help explain wby alternative keyboards remain something of a novelty in the workplace, For most of 1996, they accounted for 18 percent of keyboard sales, according to PC Data, a firm that macks equipment purchases,

"I think there's a concern on jumping on the bandwagon of some alternative that is supposed to be belier before there's actual

Some employers, such as Bell Atlantic Corp., consider equipping workers with ergonomic keyboards on a case-by-case basis. "If their doctor recommended that they needed a change, we would evaluate the situation," though it wouldn't necessarily require a doctor's intervection, said Bell Atlantic spokeswoman Joan Rasmussen,

Bell Atlantic focuses its ergonomic efforts on the way in which employees use their keyboard rather than the type of keyboard, said Stephen Taylor, an ergonomic specialist at the companv.

Jon Simkovitz of Keyboard Alternatives, a Santa Rosa, California, company that sells ergonomic products, sees another source of corporate skepticism. He claims that "some employers are afraid of them because they're afraid it's going to give another added cost to their budget."

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# SPORTS

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# Nelson named Mavs' GM

**NBA** leaders

(Through Thursday's games)

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DALLAS (Reuter) - Don Nelson, out of basketball since he was fired as head coach of the New York Knicks last March, was named general manager of the Dallas Mavericks Friday.

He replaces Keith Grant, who resigned on October 17. In the interim, minority owner Frank Zaccanelli acted as general manager.

"I never dreamed a month ago I'd be here or be back in the league," Nelson told a news conference at Reunion Arena. "I'm really excited. This is quite a challenge, hut I'm up to it.

There's nothing more rewarding than to take a team that's down and build it into a contender. I've done it twice and I can do it again. That's the thing I live for."

The 56-year-old Nelson was fired as the Knicks' coach last March 8 with a 34-26 record. He

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previously served dual roles as head coach and vice president of basketball operations of the Milwaukee Bucks. He was head coach and general manager of the Golden State Warriors from 1988

to 1995. Nelson, a former NBA player, is second only to Atlanta Hawks coach Lenny Wilkens in games won as a player and coach, with ,534.

"This is a hig day for our franchise." Zaccanelli said. "For months, we've been work-

ing diligently behind the scenes even at times when there appeared to be inacovity - to find the right general manager to lead our haskethall operation. We're extremely fortunate to have Don Nelson on board 10 fill that role.

"Over the last 30-plus years, he's become one of the most respected figures in the NBA."

most hrutal sport was the saddest on Friday. Oliver McCall, a tough-chinned former champion who had never

been knocked off his feet, broke down and cried in the ring in what seemed to be a nervous breakdown. And some 4,500 fans booed McCall simply stopped fighting Lennox Lewis in their bout for the World Boxing Council (WBC)

LAS VEGAS (Reuter) - The

heavyweight title. Referee Mills Lane, after asking McCall between the third and fourth rounds if he wanted to continue fighting, stepped in and waved the fight off 55 seconds into the fifth. Lane ended it after McCall kept walking away from

Lewis, often with his back turned to him like a child edging away from a scolding. McCall, 31 and an admitted drug addict who said he always would have to battle drugs, threw only two punches in the fourth round and one in the fifth and seemed only marginally present in the ring the last two rounds at the Las Vegas Hilton.

 
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 He refused to go back to his corner after the third round, choosing to pace along one side of the ring. He began to cry like a lost child after the fourth round.

In the fourth and fifth rounds, Lewis pursued McCall, who merely put his hands in front of his face few times and bohbed his head to avoid some punches hut offered no resistance to others and "seemed to want to get knocked

out." Lane said. Despite McCall's lack of offense, the 251-pound Lewis, three inches taller and 14 pounds

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WELLINGTON - New Zealand will have to stay in the crease for two days to save the second cricket Test at the Basin Reserve, needing more than 200 runs make England bat a second time.

terday, New Zealand was 48 without loss, still requiring 211 to make England bat again.

Pocock were on 32 and 13 respectively at stumps.

and went on to reach 363.

John Crawley: Part of a 118run wicket stand. shortly after lunch, off 224 balls

wicket

space of 20 balls with the total on 331. Fast-medium bowler Simon



Lewis wins WBC title in bizarre fight

title after knocking Lewis dizzy in the second round and the referee stopped the bout. But Friday night at the Las

Vegas Hilton did not give as much to Lewis as it might have, because it took so much from McCall, as the bright, articulate man's troubled life unraveled before everyone

"I think his career is over," said Lewis' trainer Emanuel Steward, who trained McCall for his upset

"I hate the way people are knocking him now. He's just a fine person," Steward said. "When I was with him I knew he was crying out for love. That's all he: wants. He had the title and ... be had money. He's a guy who wanted people to spend time with him. People didn't have that time. After the fights they would go their

ways." McCall has a long history of drug abuse.

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His latest public episode was last December when he was arrested for throwing an ashtray, a glass and a Christmas tree in a Nashville, Tennessee, hotel. Earlier this week, McCall praised his new-found religious beliefs, saying that no matter who won the fight, "I still love my brother."

He said he had attended drug prevention meetings this week and talked daily with his counselor, adding he would be in treatment for the rest of his life.

Marc Ratner, the head of the Nevada State Athletic Commission, said McCall's \$3 million purse would be withheld for not honestly competing tonight".

There was very little to be learned by Lewis's performance, except perhaps to wonder why he was unable to hurt McCall when he was little more than a punching bag at the end of the fight.

Maloney insisted Lewis looked good because he tried using the appercut that he had been working ou in training.

(Reuter) Lewis, now 30-1, will likely fight fellow Briton Henry Akinwande next in a mandatory WBC bout.

Maloney, dressed in a new silk suit covered with the bright colors of the Umon Jack, castigated McCall's promoter Don King for allowing McCall to fight because "he knew" the terrible shape McCall was in mentally.

"People like Don King shouldn't be allowed to be in boxing. He's a disgrace to the human race," Maloney said.

But big hitting from Evans and



At stumps on the third day yes-

Openers Bryan Young and Blair

England began the day at 204-3

Left-hander Graham Thorpe hit 108, his fourth Test hundred and his second in consecutive innings in this series.

He received good support from Nasser Hussain, who made 64, and John Crawley, whose 56 was part of a 118-run stand for the fifth

England lost three wickets in the

England has had a chance to win all three of its Tests to date on the tours of Zimhahwe and New Zealand, but it has had to settle for draws each time. "We are well aware what has

happened so far this winter and this time we are very determined to get a win," Thorpe said. Zimbabwe-India

Zimbabwe cricket which began against England two months ago continued with a brilliant threewicket defeat of India in the day/night match at Centurion Park

Zimbabwe bowled out India for 34 overs, it got home at 171 for seven with two balls to spare. It was the first time Zimbabwe had beaten India in 14 attempts.

The heroes for the part-timers were all rounders Craig Evans (43 from 47 balls with three sizes) and Paul Strang (31 not out from 42

before scampering the winning 10 overs. single off the next delivery.

When India batted it struggled to scampering from Strang saw them through to an historic victory. The two sides meet again in the final break the shackles of a superbly disciplined bowling and fielding pool match at Benoni today. Zimhabwe is now favorites to effort from Zimhabwe.

Sachin Tendulkar (41) and meet South Africa in Wednesday's Mohammad Azharuddin (44) put on 70 for the fourth wicket, but final due to a superior run rate. only Ajay Jadeja's quickfire 36 threatened to raise the run rate

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The dramatic 'improvement in

on Friday. (Reuter)

216 in 48.4 overs and, after rain had reduced its target to 171 from

after I landed those uppercuts and started playing with my jab in his face he just didn't know what to

"This was definitely payback," said Lewis, to the cheers of a con-

tingent of British fans delighted with their hero for winning back

Lewis was referring to the theme

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Boston	46	1735-3913	.443	221-633	.349	870-1165 .74	7 99.2
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Sacramento	49	1778-3973	.448	220-579	.380	851-1172 .72	
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Cleveland	47	1577-3464	.455	295-748	.394	694-966 .71	a 88.2
San Antonio	45	1485-3391	.438	216-687	.314	784-1104 .71	
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Atlanta	45	1573-3673	.428	277-809	.342	626-867 .72	2 88.0
Miami	48	1544-3650	.423	236-652	.362	908-1219 .74	S 88.2
Chicago	48	1678-3875	.433	262-823	.318	730-1004 .72	7 90.8
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Seattle	47	1605-3631	.442	333-888	.375	871-1162 .75	93.9
San Antonio	45	1590-3460	.460	276-751	.368	804-1101 .73	0 94.7
LA Lakers	48	1701-3902	.436	276-807	.342	804-1101 .73 882-1238 .71	2 65.0
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Sacramento	49	1785-3877	.450	249-71S	.348	988-1359 .72	
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Denver	48	1861-4041	461	275-691	.398	867-1176 .73	
Phoenix	48	1621-3917	485	320-882	.363	908-1217 .74	18 101.5
New Jersey	48	1726-3715	485	272-717	.379	952-1283 .74	
Golden State	46	1788-3786	.485	312-856	.354	884-1183 .74	7 103.7
Philadelphia	48	1822-3908	.466	309-865	.357	844-1171 .72	
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## NBA standings

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Miam	36	12	.750	-	8-2	Won 8	14-6	22-6	24-8	ous norpe employ in 14 points
New York	34	14	.708	2	7-3	Won 2	21-5	13-9	21-9	and 12 boards for Detroit, which
Orlando	24	20	.545	10	9-1	Won 5	14-8	10-12	19-14	has won six of its last seven
Washington	22	25	.468	131/2	3-7	Lost 4	12-9	10-16	12-17	games.
New Jersey	13	33	_283	22	3-7	Lost 1	8-10	5-17	5-25	
Philadelphia	12	34	261	23	4-6	Won 2	6-19	6-18	8-19	"That was a great win for us and
Boston	11	35	.239	24	2-8	Lost 2	9-17	2-18	4-27	a great way for us to go into the
Central Division		~	075			1		~ ~		All-Star hreak," said Detroit coach
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Delion		15	.674	10	6-4	Lost 1	19-1	12-14	19-11	
Atlanta	31	19	.604	13	7-3	Won 4	15-6	14-13	17-14	tage of an undermanned team and
Charlotte	31 29 25 23	22	532	16 <sup>1</sup> /2	4-6	Lost 1	16-10	9-12	14-17	a tired team. But those are the
Cleveland	22	23	.500	18	6-4	Won 1	10-10	13-13	13-14	games you have to do that."
Indiana	21	26	.447	201/2	3-7	Lost 5	12-14	9-12	13-20	
Milwaukee Toronto	17	29	370	24	5-5	Won 1	14-12	3-17	9-21	Hakeem Olajuwon scored 18
WESTERN CONFE							14.15			points and Kevin Willis had 17 for
Midwest Division	W	Ľ	Pct	Ġ8	L10	Streak	Home	Away	Conf	Houston, which has dropped a
Utah	33	14	702	-	8-2	Won 2	21-2	12-12	20-8	
Houston	32	18	.667	11/2	3-7	Lost 6	16-8	16-8	20-7	season-high six in a row.
Minesota	32 23	25	479	101/2	6-4	Won 1	15-7	6-18	16-15	
Dallas	16	28	364	151/2	4-6	Won 2	10-12	6-16	11-16	THURSDAY'S RESULTS:
Denver	16	32	333	171/2	6-4	Won 2	9-16	7-16	10-19	
San Antonio	11	34	244	21	2-8	Lost 6	7-15	4-19	9-20	New York 96, San Antonio 84
Vancouver	9	42	.176	26	ĩ-9	Lost 2	6-21	3-21	5-25	Indiana 164, New Jersey 100
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Pacific Olvision L.A. Lakers	35	13	.729	-	7-3	Won 1	21-4	14-9	22-8	Miami 102. Milwaukee 90
Seattle	32	15	681	21/2	6-4	Lost 2	16-7	14-8	20-9	Charlotte 115, Sacramento 100
Portland	25	23	.521	10	4-6	Lost 5	14-9	11-14	21-12	Detroit 96, Houston 87
	19	25	.432	14	5-5	Won 3	12-12	7-13	16-13	Minnesota 103, Vancouver 86
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Golden State	17	1888	.370	17	3-7	Lost 4	10-14	7-15	10-17	FRIDAY: No games scheduled (All-
Phoenix	17	31	.354	18	4-6	Won 2	12-10	5-21	9-17	Star weekend)
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Doull finished with 5-75, his fourth haul of five or more wickets in a Test innings.

His last wicket yesterday. Darren Gough, was his 50th in his 15th Test.

Dehutant left-arm spinner Daniel Vettori took two for 98 from 34.3 overs, with Gcoff Allott, Nathan Astle and Dipak Patel picking up one wicket apiece.

Thorpe reached his century

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AUBURN HILLS (Reuter) -

The hurting Houston Rockets

head into the All-Star hreak grate-

ful for a chance to lick their

wounds, while the Detroit Pistons

head in celebrating their return to

The Pistons posted a 96-87 vic-

tory over the Rockets Thursday as

Grant Hill scored 16 points and

dished out eight assists and Terry

12 record at the hreak, third best in

the league behind only the mighty

Chicago Bulls and the Miami

elite status in the NBA.

rebounds.

Auckland last week and admitted yesterday that it had been a particularly significant century. "It was special because I hadn't been there (to 100) for 20 Tests. Here was quite satisfying and I

don't want to lose the good form I am in at the moment." Allrounder Chris Cairns didn't bowl yesterday, having hruised his right index finger Friday afternoon, and that added to New Zealand's bowling problems.

with 12 fours. It is the 23rd time

he has passed 50 in 36 Tests and

Thorpe solidified England's

He hit 119 in the first Test at

position hy sharing a 118-run fifth wicket stand with John Crawley.

took his Test average to 49.

balls). They put on 71 for the seventh wicket after Zimbabwe had seemed to be down and virtually out at 78 for six.

When Evans was caught on the boundary Strang and Heath Streak got the target down to nine runs from the last over, howled by Venkatesh Prasad.

Streak scrambled four runs from the first two balls and then heaved a full toss over midwicket for the boundary which tied the scores,

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nduliar 1-0-11-0 suit: Zimbaowe won by three wickels. Nen of the match: Chalg Evans and Paul Strang.

# Injuries take shine off today's All-Star Game **Pistons** past

CLEVELAND (AP) - In a season marted hy missing offense, it's fitting that something is miss-ing at All-Star weekend: All-Stars. A record five players - Shaquille O'Neal, Charles Barkley, Clyde

Drexler, Alonzo Mourning and Patrick Ewing - will miss today's All-Star game with assorted injuries, breaking the record of three set in 1962.

And the game isn't the only event plagued hy no-shows. The NBA held the first gathering of its greatest living players Friday, and at least 11 didn't show up. Among the missing were Michael Jordan, arguably the greatest, and Barkley. Walt Frazier said he didn't

Mills added 16 points and nine appreciate being dissed. The win gave the Pistons a 34-

"Some guys in the past have come up to me and shaken my hand and said, 'Thanks, man, for helping us make the money that we do," Frazier said. "All of the guys should be in this room, paying homage to us." The consensus of those in attendance was that Jordan and Barkley were out paying homage to golf.

They're probably playing golf right now as we speak," said Billy Cunningham, who coached Barkley in Philadelphia.

Also not seen at the media gathering were Larry Bird, Boh Cousy, Kareem Abdul-Jahbar, Lenny Wilkens, Bill Walton, George Gervin, Dave Bing, O'Neal and Hal Greer.

Most of the greats didn't think the no-shows spoiled the event. "If they want to take the day off,

more power to them," Boston Celtics center Bill Russell said. That sounds like a great idea. They're the only ones that know what they have to do to get through this life and to get through RIDAY: No games scheduled (Allthis season." Rick Barry only had

one problem with Jordan and Barkley playing hooky. "T'm disappointed just from the

standpoint that I can't get them to sign my book," Barry said. "This is not good."

Even without the likes of Bird and Jordan, it was incredible to see these great players in the same room. Wilt Chamberlain's table was at one end of the Renaissance Hotel ballroom, Bill Russell's at the other, as if the centers were squaring off for battle. Magic Johnson's smile lit up one comer of the room, John Havlicek's hum-ble storytelling brightened another

"My son is here, he'll get to go around and see all the 50," Johnson said. "This is why I played the way I played. This is what all that time spent in the gym was about when I could have been out doing something else."

As the greats wrapped up their historic meeting, this year's All-Stars started arriving - and answering questions about whether they were faking their injuries.

nothing you can do unless you want to give him a checkup yourself," Karl Malone said. "And I'm not a doctor, I'm a player. So I. don't worry about it.

alumnus, as the two sat in a ballroom Friday for an interview ses-SICO

"Hey Alonzo, they say your injury is a farce. Are you hurt or are you faking it?" Ewing yelled to his friend before answering the question himself.

"I went into his room and he had his foot in an ice bucket," Ewing said

Ewing has missed four straight games with a pulled groin muscle. Barkley was told Tuesday to skip the game because of a sprained ankle; Drexler reinjured a hamstring Tuesday night; O'Neal sprained his knee last Sunday and Mourning missed a game with an injured beel

Thursday night. Commissioner David Stern chose Detlef Schrempf, Kevin Gamett and Chris Gatling as the Western Conference subs. The Eastern Conference replacements are Chris Webber and Joe Dumars. 3-point shot worth \$1 million.

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Two All-Stars were sidelined by injuries in 1952, 1973, 1977, 1986, 1992, 1993 and 1994. The only year when three players sat

out was 1962. "The other side of it is you get to see some other guys in this game ... and that may be every hit as excit-

ing," John Stockton said. All-Star weekend activities got under way yesterday with the rookie game, 3-point shootout and slam dunk contest. Jim Valente, a 49-year-old resort manager from Bradenton, Florida, will attempt a

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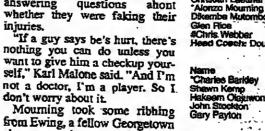
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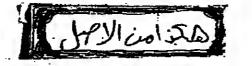
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The Jerusalem Post Sunday, February 9, 1997

**SPORTS** 

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Just prior to the interval a Zohar

free kick beat a six-man Hapoel

wall as well as Cohen, but struck

the topside of the crossbar and

bounced harmlessly away. In an

immediate response at the other

end of the field Banin forced a

Two yellow cards in the space of

two minutes resulted in Betar's

Jan Telasnikov receiving his marching orders in the 47th minute. Seconds later, Talker had

another great opportuoity hut vol-

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The Jerusalemites continued to

attack despite the difference in

numbers, and Zohar was left curs-

ing the gods in the 54th minute

when another stinging free kick

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with Talker wasting another

opportunity, only to be matched

hy similar carelessness hy Betar's

Istvan Pishont in front of Kornfein

in the other goal. Five minutes

before the end it was Banin's turn

The final chance fell to Hapoel

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Hapoel Petah Tikva 1

Second-placed Petah Tikva had

A workmanlike performance hy

of brilliance, although in the dying

moments they made a supreme

effort to penetrate the Risbon goal.

Eyal Cohen in the 88th minute,

just two minutes after coming on

as substitute, and the one-man advantage probably spurred Petab

Tikva to one final sport at the

Referee Shmuel Suif added on

an incredible eight minutes of

injury time, and that, to the fury of

bosts' goal.

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# NEW YORK BOUND - Bill Parcells signed a six-year deal with the New York Jets Friday.

# ham Parcells, Jets agree to six-year deal

Parcells has agreed to run the New York Jets for six years in a deal that could net him as much as \$20 million. Now the only question is

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how soon he gets to take control. Parcells signed his contract Friday even as commissioner Paul Tagliabue prepared for a meeting next week to sort out what has become the NFL's biggest soap opera - the contractual squabble iovolving Parcells, the Jets and his former team, the New England Patriots.

But there was nothing under the . table about the deal, which starting next February 1 - sooner if the Jets and Patriots work out an. agreement - ties Parcells to New York for six years with an option for a seventh.

'I've always been a league guy, and J'll abide by whatever the league says," Parcells said. "If they say that I can't do anything for a while, 1'm not going to do . ly," Parcells said. "A coa anything for a while." At least four b't ask for anything else,

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with the last two as chief operating officer - a title Parcells effectively will have during his coaching tenure. "It is the likelihood and the great

hope of this organization that we're putting in place the succession and sequence of events which is going to take this team sufficiently into the 21st century," Jetspresident Steve Gutman said. No terms were disclosed, but Parcells originally was seeking a \$10 million, three-year deal. So doubling the length to six years could net him \$20 million, more than any other NFL coach and np there with \$3 million per year that Pat Riley earns to run the NBA's Miami Heat and John Calipari

receives from the New Jersey Nets. "I have some very good support here, and I know I'm going to he supported hy the ownership totally," Parcells said. "A coach could-

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# Late PT goal cuts Betar's lead

## By DEREK FATTAL and ORI LEWIS

Soccer followers showed their respects to the servicemen killed earlier this week by observing a minute's silence before all matches pleyed across the country this weekend. The simple hut poignant ceremonies ensured a subdued right wing. The equalizer came in the 29th mood on the terraces.

The National League's Round 17 contained a wealth of excitement, headlined by a controversial finish in yesterday's game betweeo Ironi Rishon Lezion and second-placed Hapoel Petah Tikva, in which Hapoel stole a victory goal in the seventh minute of injury time. Such was the fury of the Rishon supporters that referee Shmuel Steif had to be escorted to the tunnel hy six police officers amidst a barrage of bottle throwing.

The result helped knock two points off Betar Jerusalem's lead at the summit of the table, as later in the day the capital side was held to a 1-1 draw in a pulsating match away to Hapoel Haifa. Such an event is a rarity these days, with this being only the third time this season that the still-unbeaten leaders have conceded league points. The dismissal of Betar defender Jan Telasnikov in the second minute of second half had a significant bearing on the game.

Slumbering giant Maccabi Tel Aviv at last awakened crushing third-placed hosts Hapoel Beersheba 4-1 yesterday. This was hardly the preparation the southerners needed for next week's excursion to Jerusalem to play Betar. Hapoel Jerusalem ended 2-1 winners against Maccabi Haifa, to

compound the difficulties of Haifa substitute Avi Paz who suddenly coach Giora Spiegel, while Hapoel Taiha remained firmly found a path to goal open up in front of him only for it to close rooted at the bottom of the table, before he could release a shot. losing 2-0 away to fellow strugglers Hapoel Beit She'an. This second straight defeat under the leadership of coach Zvika Rosen to wait until seven minutes of suggests that there is no instant injury time before it managed to cure in sight for the Taibans. score the lone goal of the match, In the Second Division, Ironi when substitute Alon Maya man-Ashdod fell to a surprise 2-0 aged to slot the ball home. defeat at the bands of Maccahi the challengers to the league lead-Kafr Kana, while leaders Hapoel ership failed to produce any sparks

Ashekelon ended 1-0 victors against Maccabi Acre. Maccabi Netanya took all three points from promotion battle against felits low-contestant Hakoah Ramat Gan, beating the host 3-1. Hapoel Haifa 1

Betar Jernsalem 1 The fans were treated to a

breathtaking encounter as both sides committed themselves to attack. .. Hapoel made it clear from the start that it was not going to be overawed by its visitor. In was fortu-

### Banin took the penalty and sent half, when after an hour's pley, the Itzik Korfein the wrong way as he floodgates opened. Eli Driks pul sidefooted the ball into goal to Maccahi ahead in the 63rd minute give the hosts a fifth-minute lead. when he sloned home after receiv-The Betaris flung themselves. ing an excellent pass from new

forward in search of a reply, with Bosnian signing Azhar Kosic. Beersheba pulled level within Shmulik Levy providing most of the creative inspiration on the two minutes when Oren Sagron hit an excellent shot on the turn to beat Alexander Obarov in the minute when Yossi Ahuksis Maccahi goal. A minute later, stretched out to meet a header Maccabi was back in the lead, from Itzik Zohar. Rafi Cohen when Avi Nimni headed in from close range after an accurate free managed to get a palm on the ball but could not prevent it from kick from Kosic.

Maccabi put Beersheba out of the match with two more goals, first Haim Hajaj slotted home after a 1-2 move with Kosic in the 71st minute, and two minutes later. Ofer Mizrahi sealed the scoreline when he beat the Beersheba offside trap to slot home past reserve keeper Avi Peretz.

Maccahi Herzliya 1 Zafririm Holon 0 The Herzliyans had the upper

hand for most of the game as imports Roman Filipchuk and Igor Shkvrin troubled the Holoni defense. The two combined together to get the matchwinner late in the game. A crisp Filipchuk shot was parried by the goalkeeper straight into the path of Shkvrin whose quicksilver reflexes guided the ball into goal.

Hapoel Beit She'an 2

Hapoel Taiba 0 Taiha put on another demoraliz-

iog display and cannot have any complaints about the result. Beit She'an's receot signing from Maccahi Tel Aviv Boris Matveyev was outstanding, and opened up the visitor's defense in the 33rd minute for Shimon Dahnan to guide into goal on the rehound. Midway through the second half Serjan Sulkovic netted Beit She'an's second goal. On the basis of this match it is hard to see how the Taibans can save themselves from dropping straight back into Division Two.

Hapoel Jerusalem 2 Maccahi Haifa 1

Haifa looked as if it woold waltz away from Teddy Stadium with the points in this match as the visitors appeared much the classier side. Reuveo Atar put Haifa ahead in the ninth minute from an 18meter free kick as the hosts struggled to contain the Haifa attacks. But their fighting spirit and the leadership of veteran midfielder Michel Dayan proved the winners at the end of the day. First, Dayan set up the equalizer when he passed to Ronnen Schweig who scored with an excellent left-foot volley in the 26th minute.

The Jerusalemites surprised even themselves when they took the lead four minutes from

few moments earlier. Maccabi Petah Tikva 0 **Bnei Yehuda 0** 

The only goalless draw of the weekend was as poor a match as the scoreline might suggest. The only incident of note was the sending off of Alon Mizrahi in the 68th minute, and Petah Tikve's edvantage in numbers went begging. Ofer Shitrit had two good chances to score for the hosts, hut that was all the Perah Tikva supporters had to take home with

them from a fruitless 90 minutes. Hapoei Tel Aviv 1 Hapoel Kfar Sava 2

The Tel Avivians can feel disappointed with the result of this match, after they had made all the running throughout the 90 minutes.

In the first half they dominated completely, hut the scoreline remained goalless. The second half was much the same as the first, but Kfar Sava's Ofer Cohen took advantage of a lapse in the Tel Aviv defense and scored against the run of play in the 51st minute in one of the few ettacks which weni Kfar Seva's way.

Nissim Avitan redressed the balance in the 78th minute with a header which the Kfer Savans claimed was scored from an offside position.

Kfar Sava scored the winner four minutes from time, again, against the run of play, when sub-Francisco stitute Oscar Washington, who had returned from injury after a month's layoff sealed the scoreline.

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needed to take all the points. Hapoel Beersheba 1 Maccabi Tel Aviv 4

Beersheba was hampered by the carly dismissal of Giovanni Rosso after 14 minutes for fighting with Amir Shelah.

The hosts, who had started with an enacking lineup, were in trouble, hut survived mainly due to the poor performance of Maccabi Tel Aviv, which failed to take advantage of some promising situations. All that changed in the secood

LONDON (AP) - Three goals by

Trevor Morley gave Reading a 3-2

victory over Bolton yesterday as

the Division One leader had its 12-

point lead atop the standings cut to

ninth ... road victory of the sea-

son, winning 2-0 at Huddersfield

and has a game in hand on Bolton.

further behind, also stayed in con-

tention with a 1-0 victory over Port

No Premier League games were

goalkeeper Boris Mikhailov, who

was injured after saving at the feet

of Scott Sellars early in the first

With no substitute 'keeper on the

bench, Reading's joint player-man-

aged Jimmy Quinn went in goal

Then came a spell of four goals in eight minutes as former West

Ham star Morley shot Reading

abead in the 56th, Alan Thoropson

with the score at 0-0.

Third place Bamsley, one point

Second place Wolves scored its

nine.

Vale.

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Leader Bolton

falls to Reading

time when the injured Assi Tubi headed past Nir Davidovich in the Haifa goal. Dayan, who was also injured, but managed to struggle on late into the second half, was again in the thick of the action.

Haifa did its best to gain at least a point from a match to which it thought it would take all three, but an onslaught on the Jerusalem goal failed to produce an equalizer despite Moshe Glam hitting the crossbar in the 88th mioute, and Hezi Shirazi striking the post e

leveled, Morley fired home a

penalty and Bolton's Scottish

McGinlay made it 2-2 in the 64th.

corner, came in the 70th minute.

Morley's winner, a close range

shot after Bolton failed to clear a

Wolves were always in control at

Huddersfield and Steve Froggan

fired them ahead after 37 minutes.

Top scorer Steve Bull netted the

secood six minutes from the end,

taking his tally for the season to 17

with his fifth goal in four games.

John Hendrie netted Barnsley's

winner in the game against Port

Vale and, of the other leading pro-

motion contenders, Crystal Palace

downed Bradford 3-1 after trailing

to a Chris Waddle goal while Sheffield United and Norwich meet

Former Blackhum manager Ray

Harford had an unhappy start to his

spell et West Bromwich Alhion,

watching his new club tumble 2-1

at home to Swindon. It was

Alhion's sixth home loss even

though the team has won five

Georgian midfielder Georgi

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Kinkladze had another standout

game for reviving Manchester City, which downed Southend 3-0.

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games away from home.

today.

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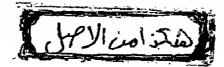
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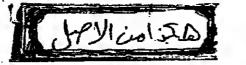


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ورجوا والمحادث والجور **CRITIC'S CHOICE** CLASSICAL MUSIC 1.00 MICHAEL AJZENSTADT Arye Lipsky leads the Kibbutz Chamber

Orchestra in Brahms's First Serenade, which seems to be a very popular opus among Israeli orchestras this season. Also on the program is Vaughan Williams's Oboe Concerto with Hila. Zabari-Peleg as soloist, and the Secood Horn Concerto by Richard Stranss with Croatian horn player Radovan Vlatkovic as soloist. Tuesday in Nahariya, Wednesday in Ein Hashofet and Sunday in Dorot (8:30 p.m.) with one Tel Aviv appearance this Saturday (11:11 a.m.) in Tzavta.

# THEATER

### HELEN KAYE • • • • • • • • • •

Ir, or "City" in English, is the Gesber Theater's SRO adaptation of Isaac Babel's Odessa Tales. You will laugh. You will cry. You will want the show to go on for ever as director Yevgeny Arye and his amazing actors bring Babel's colorful lowlifes to burst-at-the seams life. Tonight and through Tuesday at the Gesher Theater in Old Jaffa at 8:30 p.m. (Hebrew)

# TELEVISION

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On A Second Look tonight on Channel 1 at 8:45, there are two main reports. The first is by Ya'acov Ahimeir, who interviewed Israeli emigrants in the US and heard their opinions on the proposal to let Israelis abroad participate in the elections.

In the second part, Judy Lotz accompanies Amira Hess, the Israeli journalist who spent three years living in Gaza, to ber new home in Ramallah. As usual Haim Hecht gives his view thiogs from up north at the end. of Elana Chipman . .\*

There is another chance to see one of the better made and more original Israeli dramas, Backwards (Hafuch), which was very successful the first time it was screened. It is an offbeat Friends-type series about young Tel Avivites who join forces in order to produce the first Israeli pornographic movie.

Other than that, they fall in love, fight, meet strange people and live the young urban lifestyle.

With Orna Fitussi, Dani Stag, Einat Weitzman, Yoav Heit and others who all give very convinc-



Madonna stars in MTV programs throughout the day.

ing performances. Channel 2, al 7:15 p.m. Elana Chipman

One imaginative young member of the Israel Chamber Orchestra may bave hit the oail on the head when she recently dubbed it "Em-pty-V." But the satellite pop music channel MTV does nevertheless retain its legions of fans, and its audience share in Israel is one of the highest of any country in and around Europe.

Today MTV Europe focuses in on the life and times of superstar Madonna. With the rave reviews she bas recently been receiving for her performance in Evita, the superstar hopes to have finally put paid to the notion that ber life has just been one long publicity stunt. Certainly the Material Girl bas come a long way since she beaded for New York City and initially found work in a branch of Dunkin' Donuts.

In the past some of her more raunchy videos have been banned by MTV. Now it is devoting a whole series of shows to her. They include The Making of Evita, Madonna's Pyjama Party, Madonna – A Body of Work, and, starring MTV's own Spanish video-jockey hearthrob, Hugo in Bed with Madonna, At various times throughout the day, particularly from 5 to 7 p.m. Tom Gross



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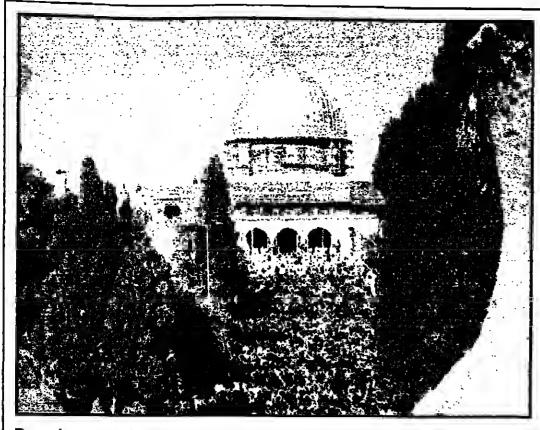
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## By Jerusalem Post Staff

NEWS

The Netherlands, which recovered less than half the 145 tons of gold stolen by the Nazis, has become the first state to revive its claims for looted gold, The New York Times reported Friday. The Dutch have formed a commission to determine how the government and citizens can make claims for their losses.

After the war. European states recouped roughly half the gold that had been seized from their central banks by the Reich. That gold came from the pool the Allies recovered and redistributed through the Tripartite Gold Commission.

The gold commission, which had been preparing to close after 50 years, still retains about \$68 million in so-called residual gold. The Duich claim could bollix the request by Jewish groups that Britain, France, and the US distribute the residual gold as some form of Holocaust compensation

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Meanwhile, an investigation of Swiss assets will be expanding beyond the Swiss banks to New York financial institutions, the New York State banking commissioner said Thursday. In addition to investigating the war-era assets of US-based Swiss banks, the hanking commission also will look at five major New York hanks believed to have taken

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the war By 1941, most movable proper-

# COMMENT Britain should look at its own policy

## By MARILYN HENRY

YORK - Just as NEW Switzerland emerged intact immediately after World War II. Britain

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ty in Switzerland had come to New York, said Banking Commissioner Neil Levin. "New York was a haven for Swiss wealth," he said.

In a related matter, the World Jewish Congress said Thursday that it had canceled plans to boy-cott Swiss banks. That announcement came the same day that Senator Al D'Amato, head of the Senate Banking Committee, cautioned, "Let's not begin to take punitive steps now."

so far remains unscathed in the

current inquiries about the Allies

But there is an unwarranted arro-

gance as Britain takes credit for backing the Swiss into the corner, without pausing to lonk at itself. The Britisb Foreign Office's report on Nazi gold, issued last September, "threw into sharp focus

the cynical behavior of Switzerland in its war-time dealing with the Nazis," The Times of London said last week in its lead editorial. "The smug Swiss bankers were thrown on the defensive; Bern was forced to set up an unprecedented inquiry; and the long-suppressed claims of Jewish victims were finally pub-

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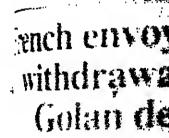
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self-serving. Jewish victims also bave serions In Friday's daily Chance drawing, claims against the British, whose the winning cards were the jack of spades, the jack of hearts, the ace of Nazi gold inquiries have ignored entirely bow London's Palestine diamonds and the ace of clubs. policy stymied refugee relief and resettlement after the war.

That same policy helped the Swiss retain German assets in Switzerland, because Britain obstructed efforts to finance aid for displaced persons; it did not want to make available funds that would be used for immigration to Palestine. The American policy was to finance refugee relief programs, in part, with German assets in Switzerland and with recovered Jewish assets. The funds were then, allocated to the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency, which had been designated by international reparations conferences as the operating field agencies to assispdisplaced Jews. Britain, however, resisted key segments of the reparations agreements, because they gave "con-crete legal standing" to the Jewish Agency and the JDC.

And reparations funds, the oreign Office said, would enable



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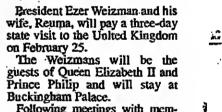
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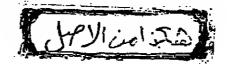


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them "to assist illegal emigration," according to research by Tel Aviv University historian Ron Zweig. In 1947, the British Foreign Office went so far as to thy to block reparations funds to the block reparations funds to the JDC, saying in an internal memo that it hoped the JDC "will eventually become bankrupt," accord-

ing to Zweig's research. While the displaced persons problem was a pressing and urgent concern for the American administrators of Germany and Austria, it was a side issue for the British govemment compared to the deteriorating situation in Palestine," Zweig wrote in an essay on Jewish DPs and Anglo-American relations.

In its editorial, The Times also said that "Britain and America have been considerably more sen-sitive in dealing with the gold deposited in their vaults than the Swiss have." Presumably that is a reference to

the willingness of these allies to freeze some \$68 million in the socalled "residual gold" - the leftover gold that originally was loot-ed by the Nazis from the central banks of Europe. The US, Britain and France may make that gold available to Holocaust survivors.

available to Holocaust survivors. While they may be more sensi-tive today, in 1945 the Allies tar-geted only \$25m, from reparations, funds for refugee aid, while they amassed more than \$330m, for restitution to European banks.

That \$25m. was to come from German assets held in neutral states, primarily in Switzerland and Sweden - but Britain also tried to torpedo this reparations plan, according to Zweig's research. Additional refugee relief funds

were expected to come from heirless Jewish assets in the banks of neutral states. However, the Allies did not prod the Swiss to identify the heirless assets.

Instead, in 1946 the governments of neutral states were "requested" to make heirless assets available as resettlement funds. Switzerland said it would give "sympathetic consideration" to this request.

But just as the Swiss made no commitment to uncover the heirless assets, neither did the Allies threaten to invoke sanctions if the Swiss failed. The irony is that it is this Swiss-Allied failure that, a half-century later, propelled much of the current contretemps about unclaimed Jewish assets in Swiss institutions.

to Cambridge University to visit the to Cambridge University to visit the famous Cairo geniza based there. Also, at the Imperial War Museum, Weizman will partici-pate in a cornerstone ceremony for the Holocaust wing and will attend the unveiling of a monu-ment to Raoui Wallenberg. He will also meet with top Royal Air Force brass at RAF Cranwell. Return Weizman who has a

Reuma Weizman, who has a keen interest in rehabilitation of wounded soldiers through horseriding, will visit a British rehabil-itation center which has exchanged knowhow on this form of treatment with its Israeli counterparts:

Man with active hepatitis undergoes liver transplant

BY JUDY SIEGEL

A 43-year-old man in the active phase of hepatitis B underwent a phase of hepatitis B underwent a liver transplant at the Rahin Medical Center-Beilinson Campus over the weekend after receiving an experimental drug to overcome the infection. The man. living in the South, married and the father of one child, was given the drug lamiva-dine at the Petah Tikya hospital.

dine at the Petah Tikva hospital. Ordinarily, patients in the active phase of hepatitis B or C are not allowed to undergo an organ transplant because the infection re-appears in the new liver.

His doctors, including Prof. Ran Tur-Kaspa, treated bim for three months in an internal medicine department. Within six weeks, the virus was stopped in its tracks, and a transplant was made possi-hle. A team headed by Prof. Zaki Shapira performed the 12-hour operation

At the same time, a heart from the same donor was transplanted into the chest of a 47-year-old man from the center of the country who had been hospitalized in Rehovot with a deteriorating condition. He was disconnected from a respirator seven hours after the surgery, led by Prof. Dan Aravot and Dr. Gidi Sahar, and visited by his family.

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